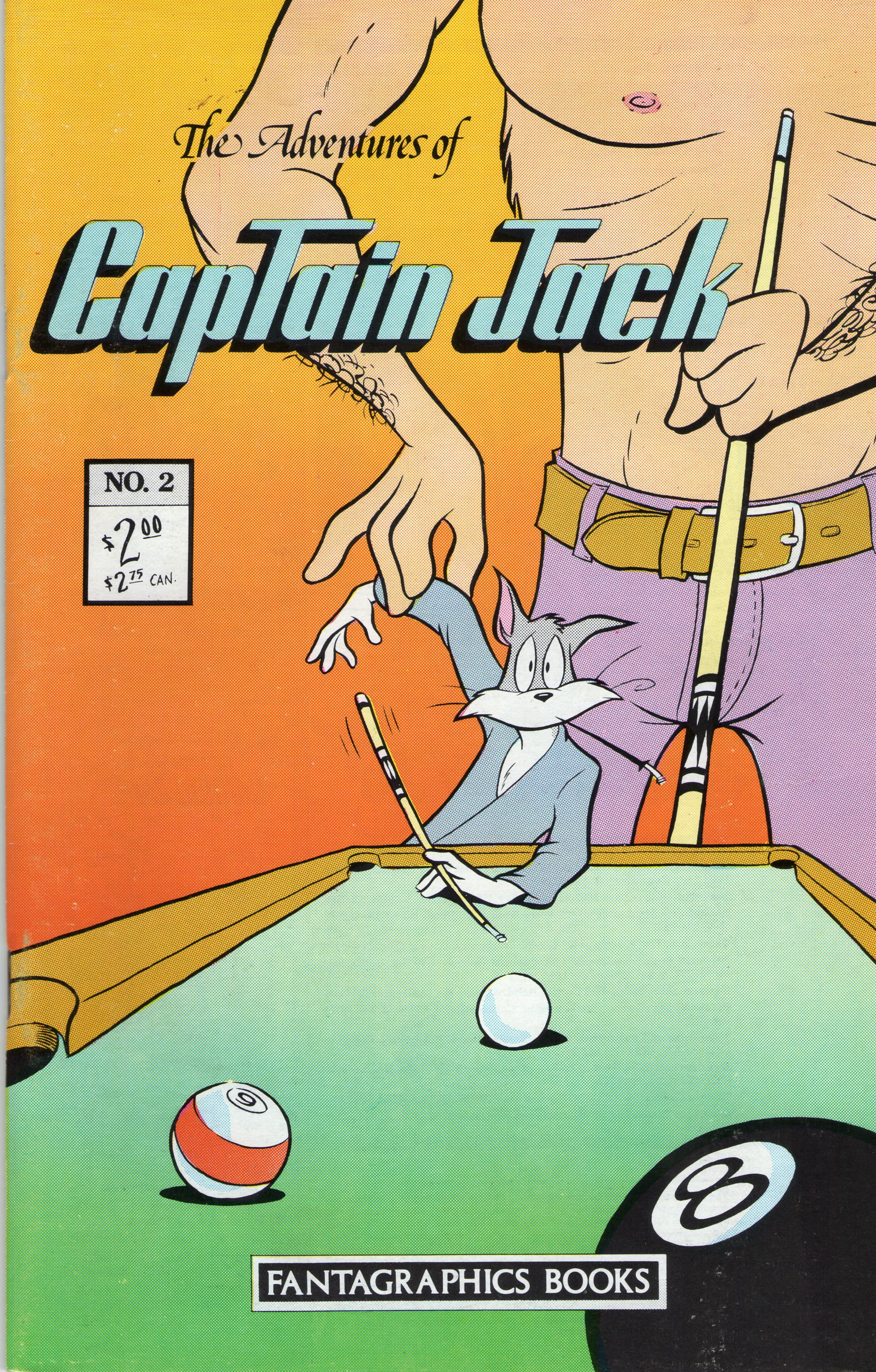
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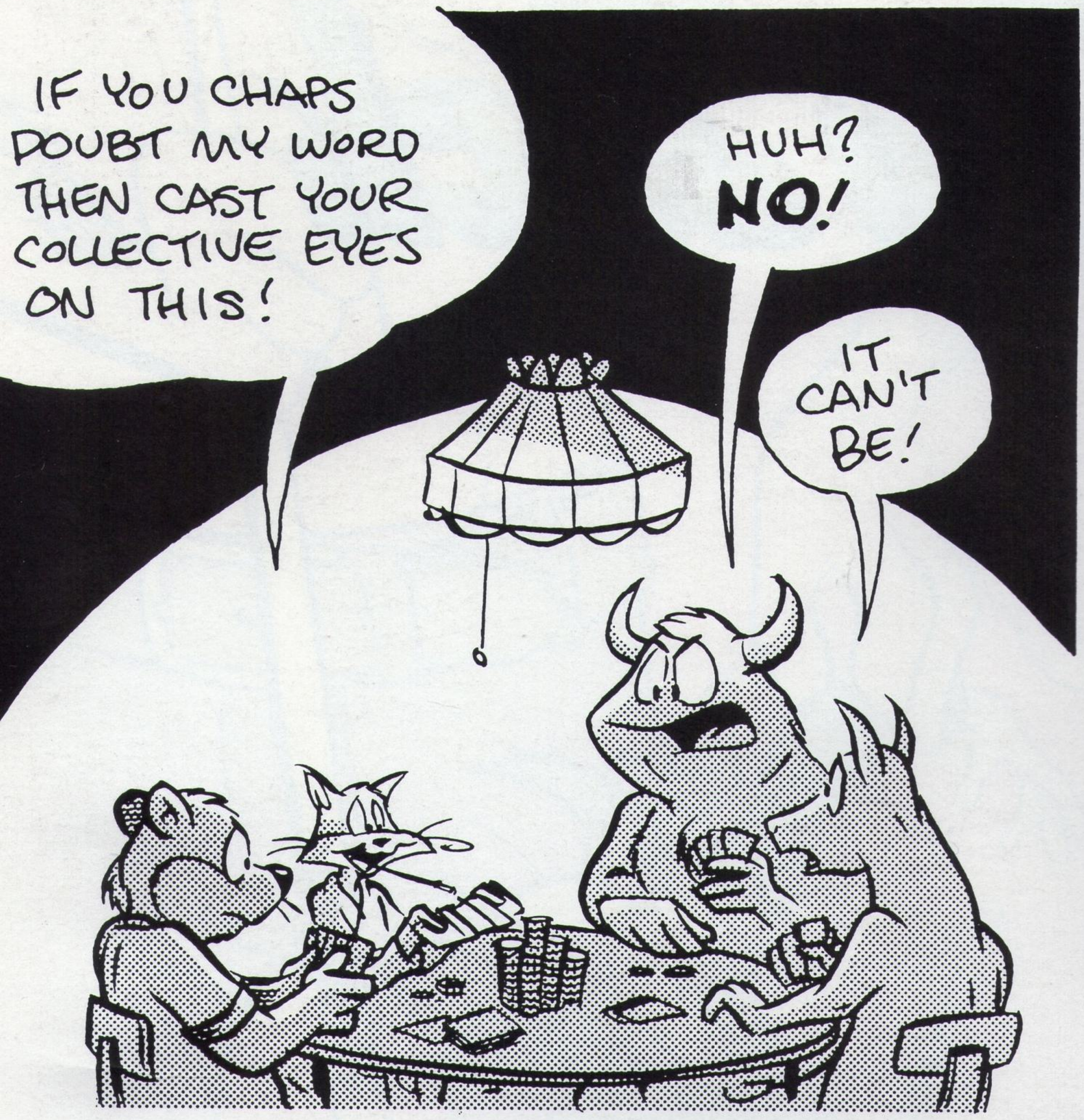


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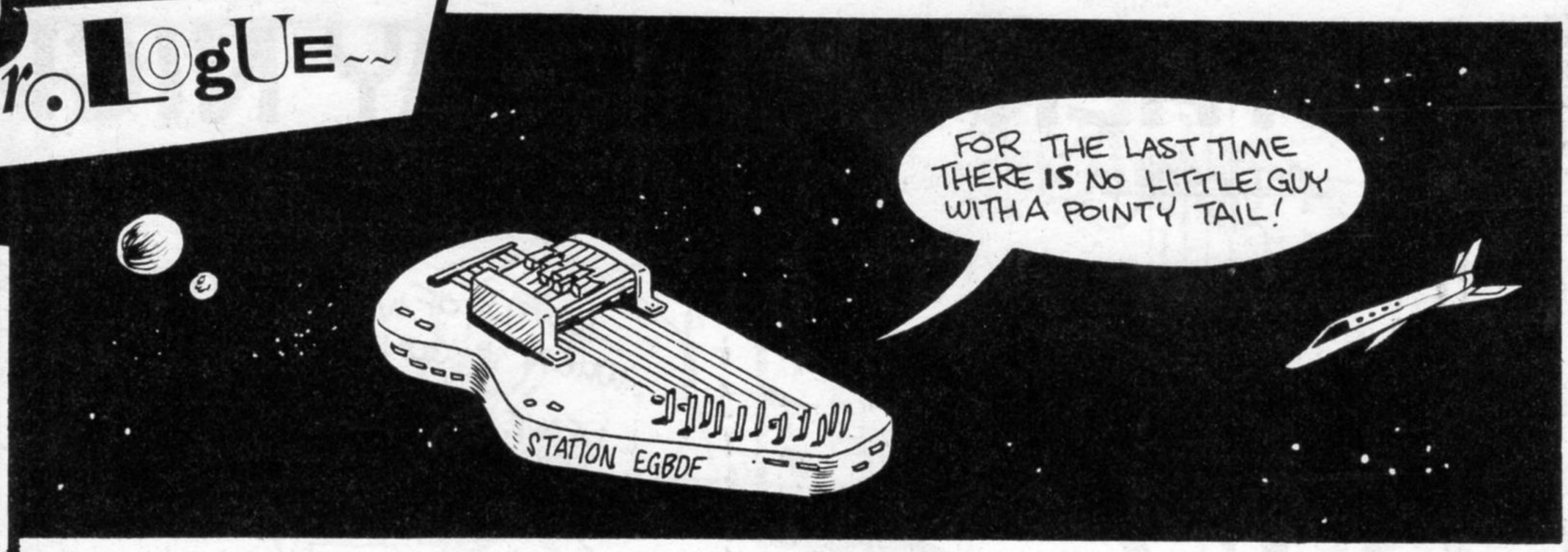
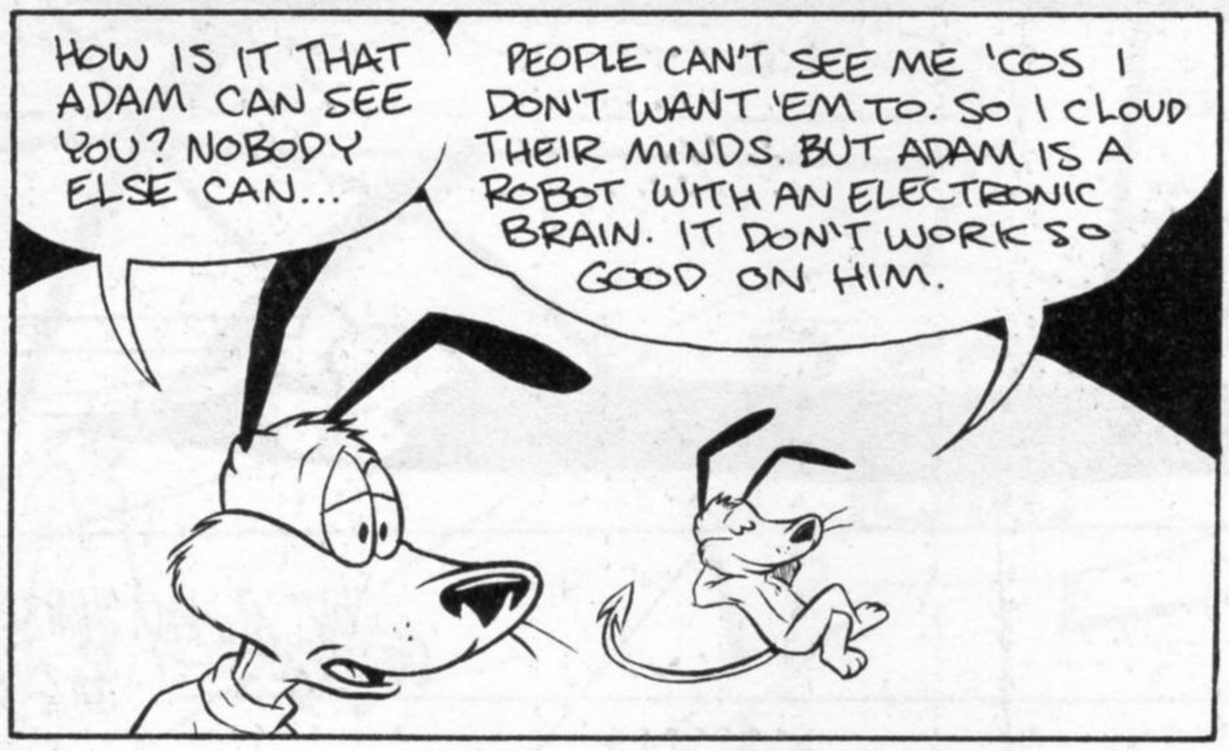




Yes! It's saturday night, and as it is his usual custom, the good captain has saved his pennies all week so that the crew may enjoy a weekend in the comfort of one of the galaxy's local space stations.

It is here that they can relax, freshen-up a bit, and enjoy a relatively normal meal, and also gamble and generally get drunk. But for some reason Adam doesn't seem to enjoy these stop overs.....

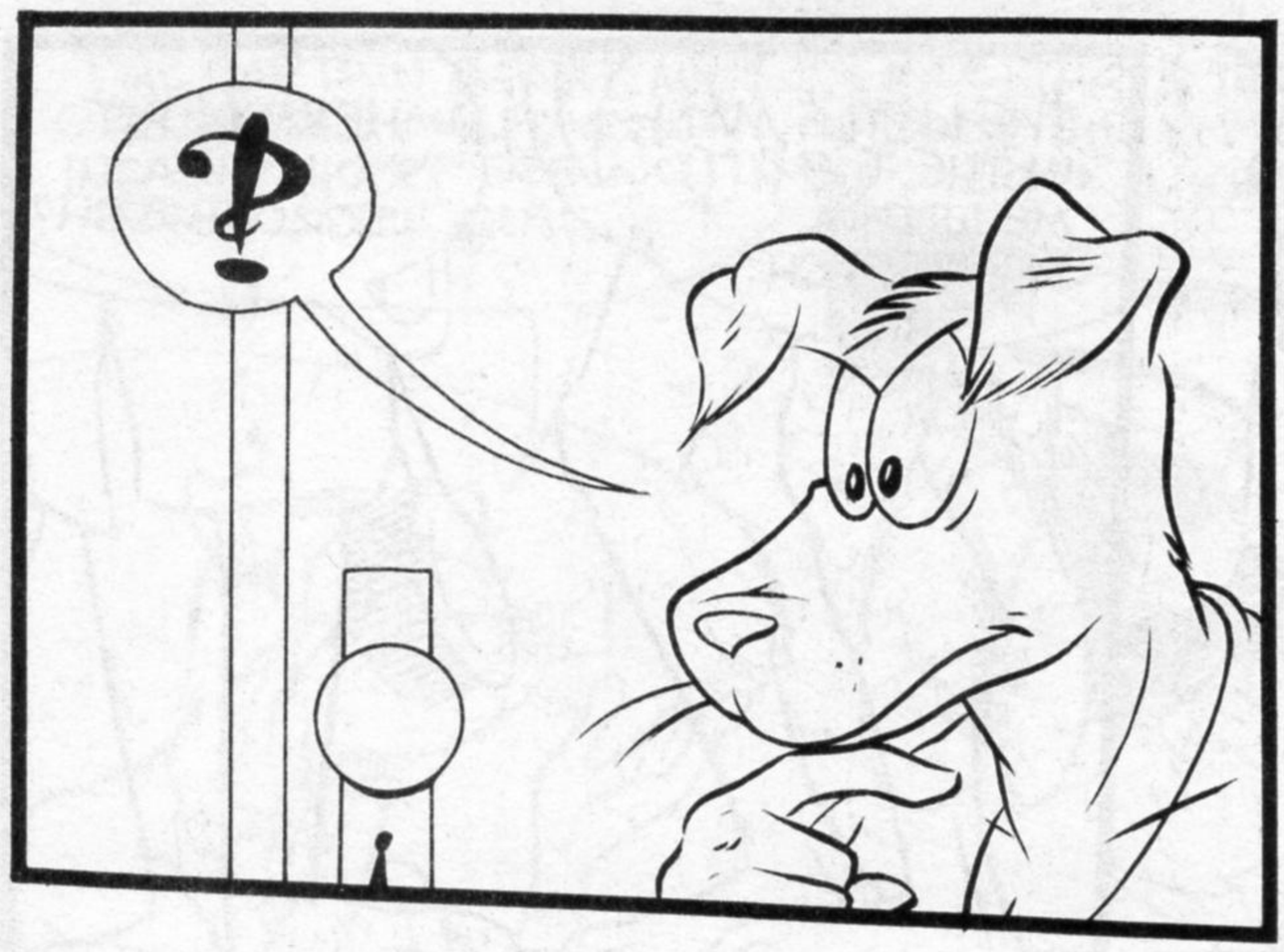
# "ANOTHER SATURDAY NIGHT"

~~part one~~

BOTTLE OF WINE, FRUIT OF THE VINE - WHEN YA GONNA LET ME GET SOBER? LEAVE ME ALONE, LET ME GO HOME - LET ME GO HOME AND START OVERRRRR! *

* REMEMBER THIS CLASSIC BY THE "FIREBALLS"? No?

by Mickey "HIMSELF" KAZALEH '85-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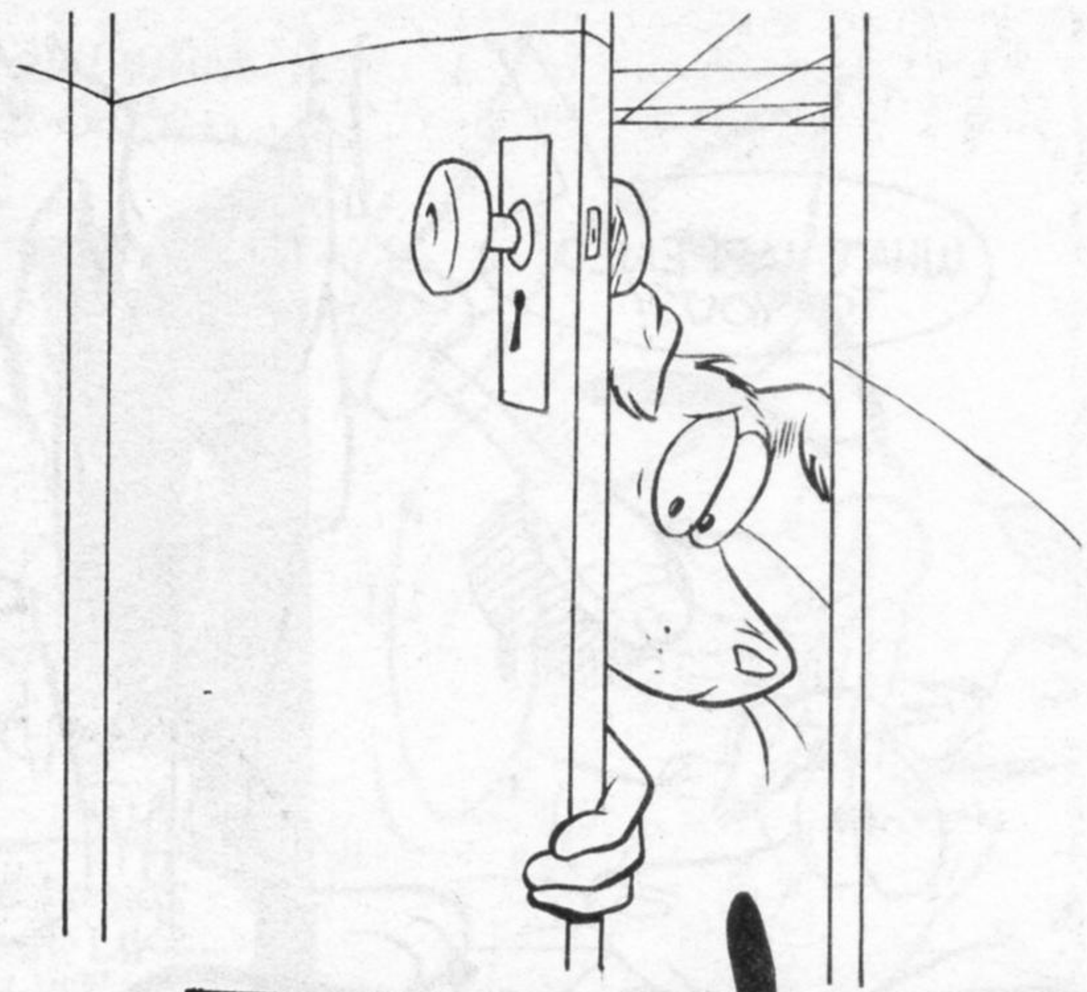
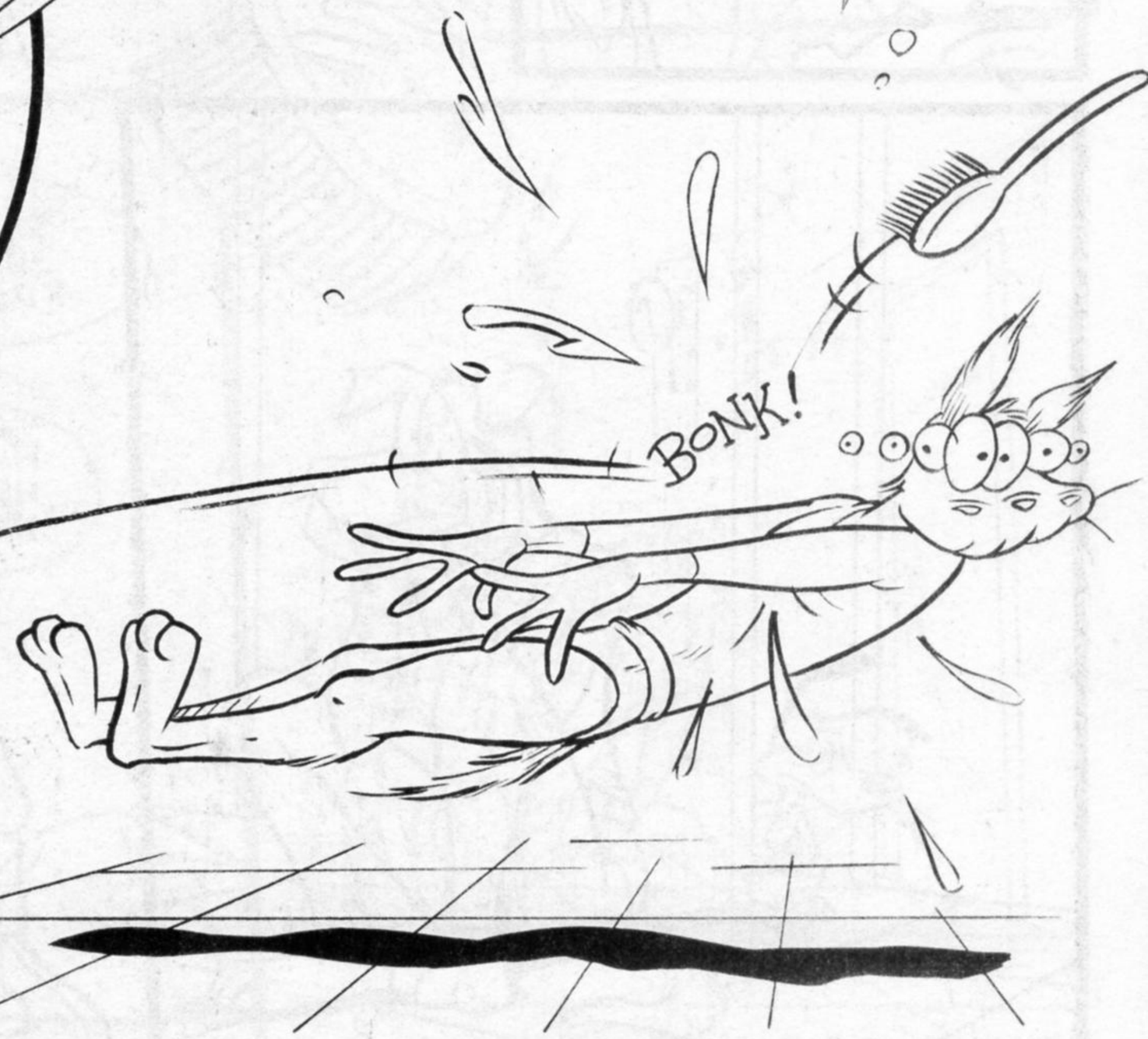
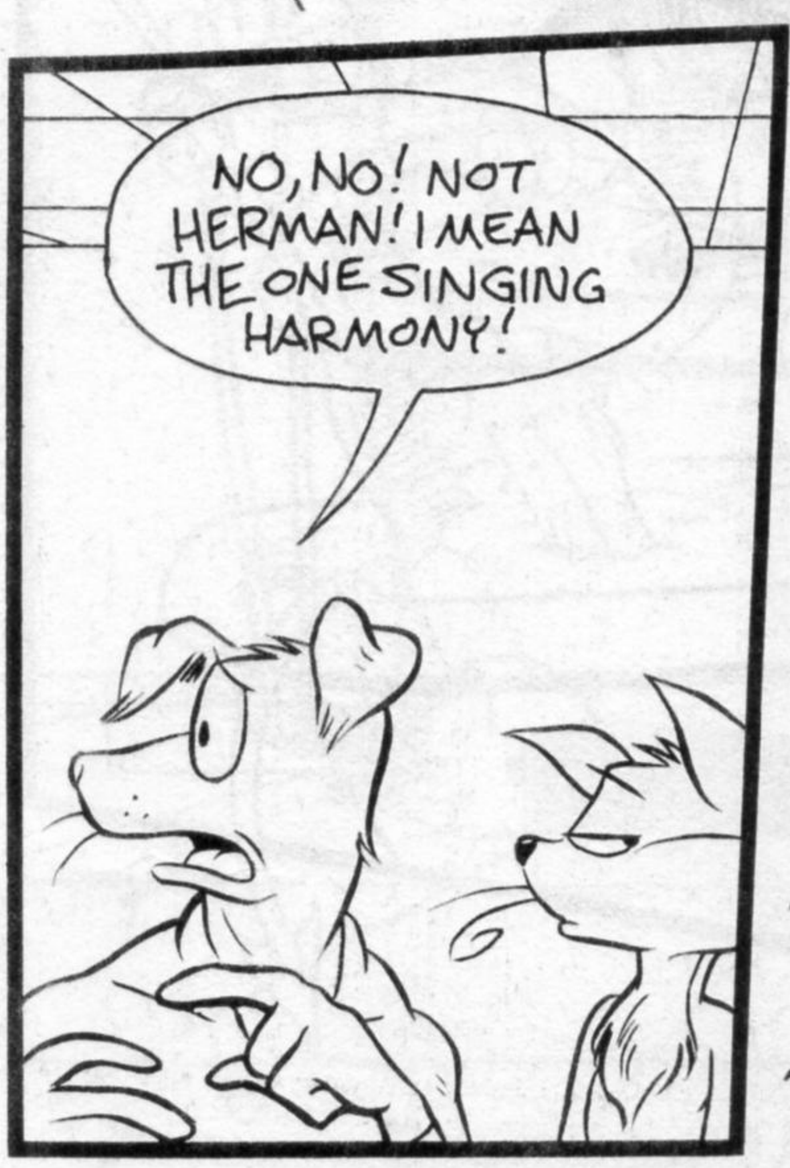


PEEPING TOM!


BONK!

WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?!

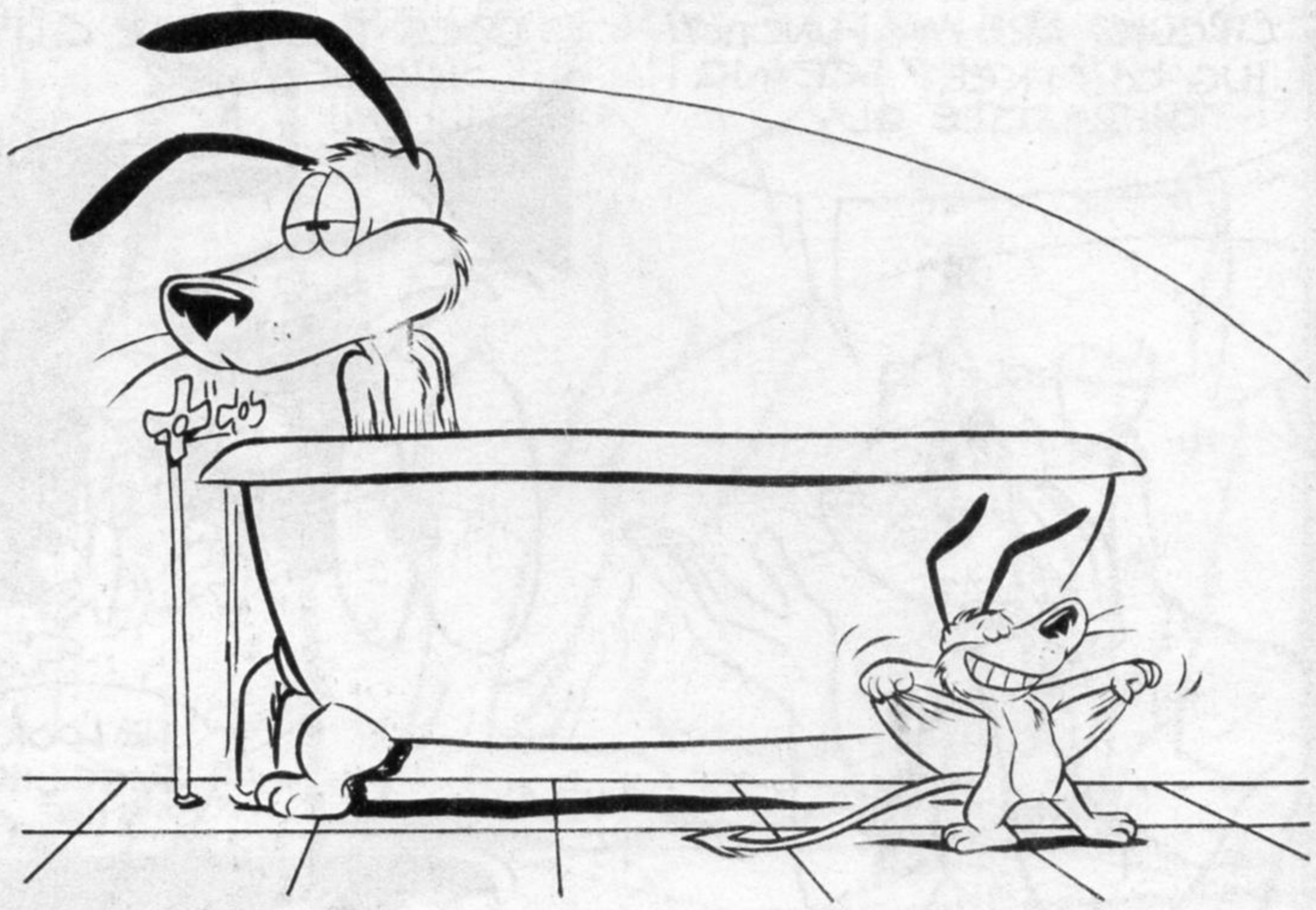
THE LITTLE MAN IN THE TUB HIT ME WITH A SCRUBBRUSH!
-HERMAN HIT YOU WITH A SCRUBBRUSH?

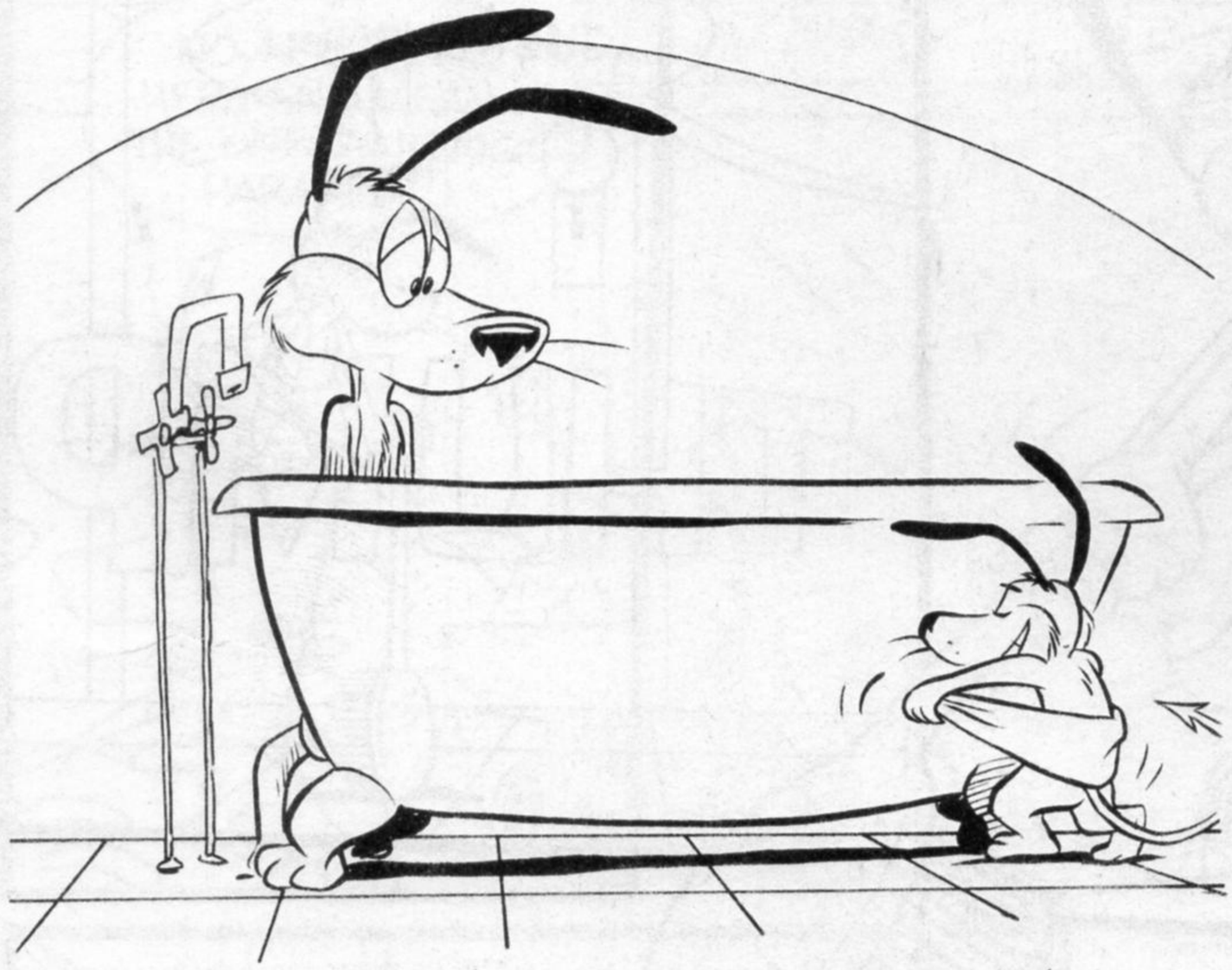

NO, NO! NOT HERMAN! I MEAN THE ONE SINGING HARMONY!

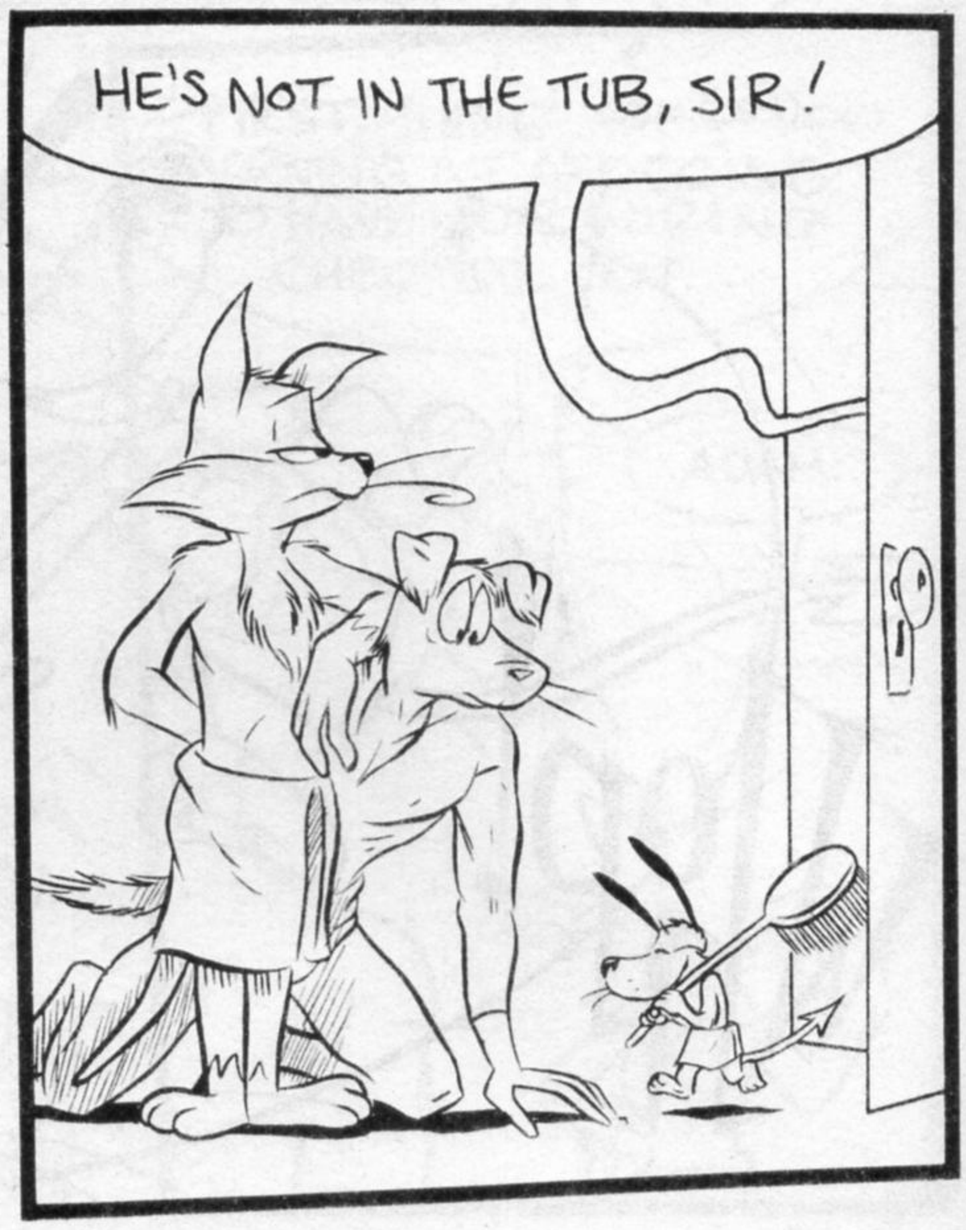
-FIRST THING TOMORROW MORNING WE ARE GOING TO HAVE OUR WIRING CHECKED OUT...
..ADAM...

HEY! WHAT'S YER PROBLEM BUDDY?!

HERMAN! STOP THAT SINGING FOR A MINUTE! IS THERE A LITTLE MAN IN THE TUB?!






HE'S NOT IN THE TUB, SIR!

WHACK!

CRASH!
PEEK-A-BOO, SIR?
YOU! HERMAN! OUTTA THAT TUB RIGHT NOW!
ADAM! GET YOUR BUTT DOWNSTAIRS TO DOCTOR PAVLOV'S OFFICE!
WASHROOM 15

# "ANOTHER SATURDAY NIGHT"

~~part two~~

HERMAN, WHY IS IT THAT EVERY SATURDAY YOU FIGHT YOUR WAY INTO THE PUB AND THEN YOU JUST SIT THERE AND DRINK GINGER ALE...?

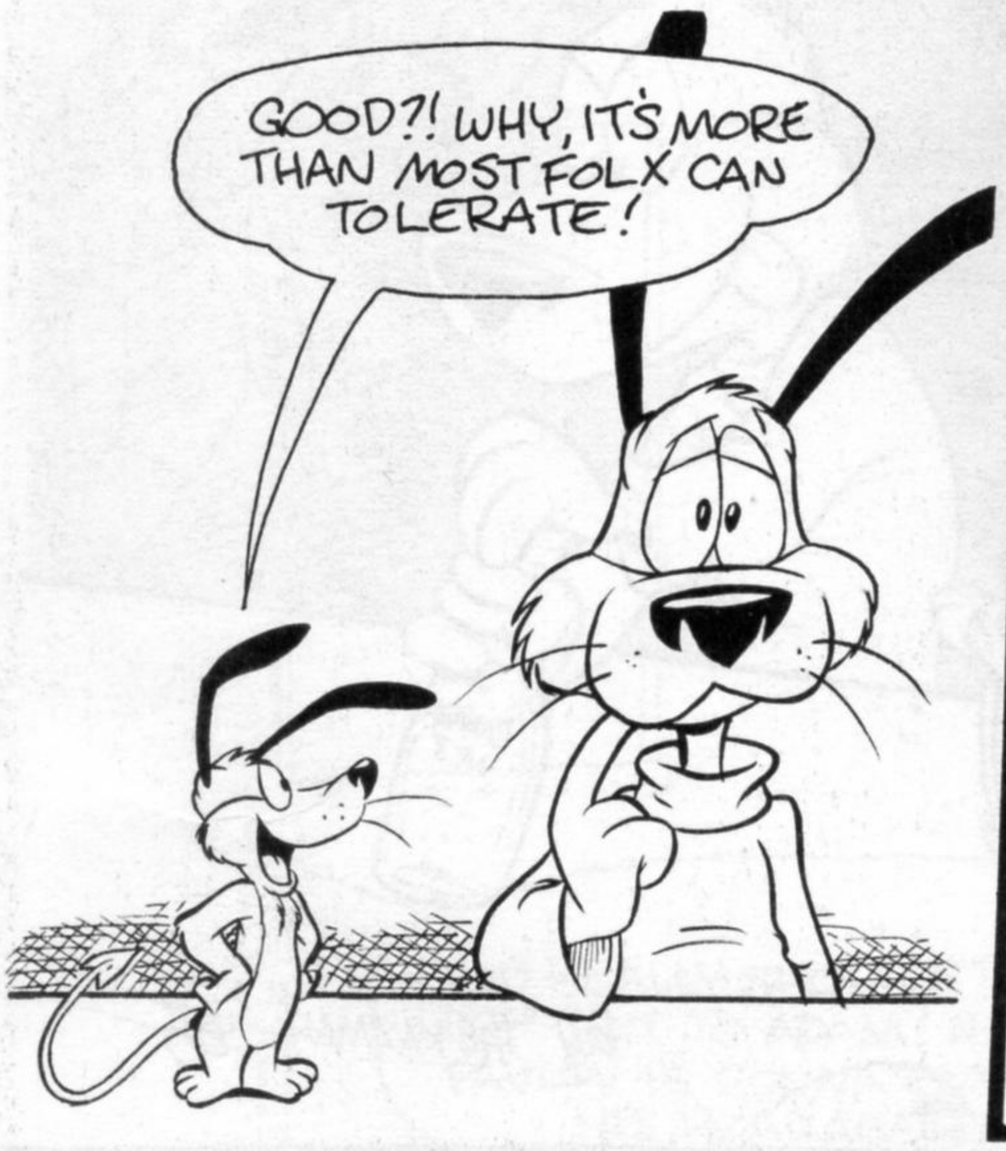
I **LIKE** GINGER ALE!

CANADA WET

by "THE KAZMAN" '85-

LIKE WHAT?! GOOD GRIEF, MAN! THEY GOT STUFF FROM ALL OVER THE GALAXY! YOU OUGHTA TRY A LITTLE VARIETY, HERM!

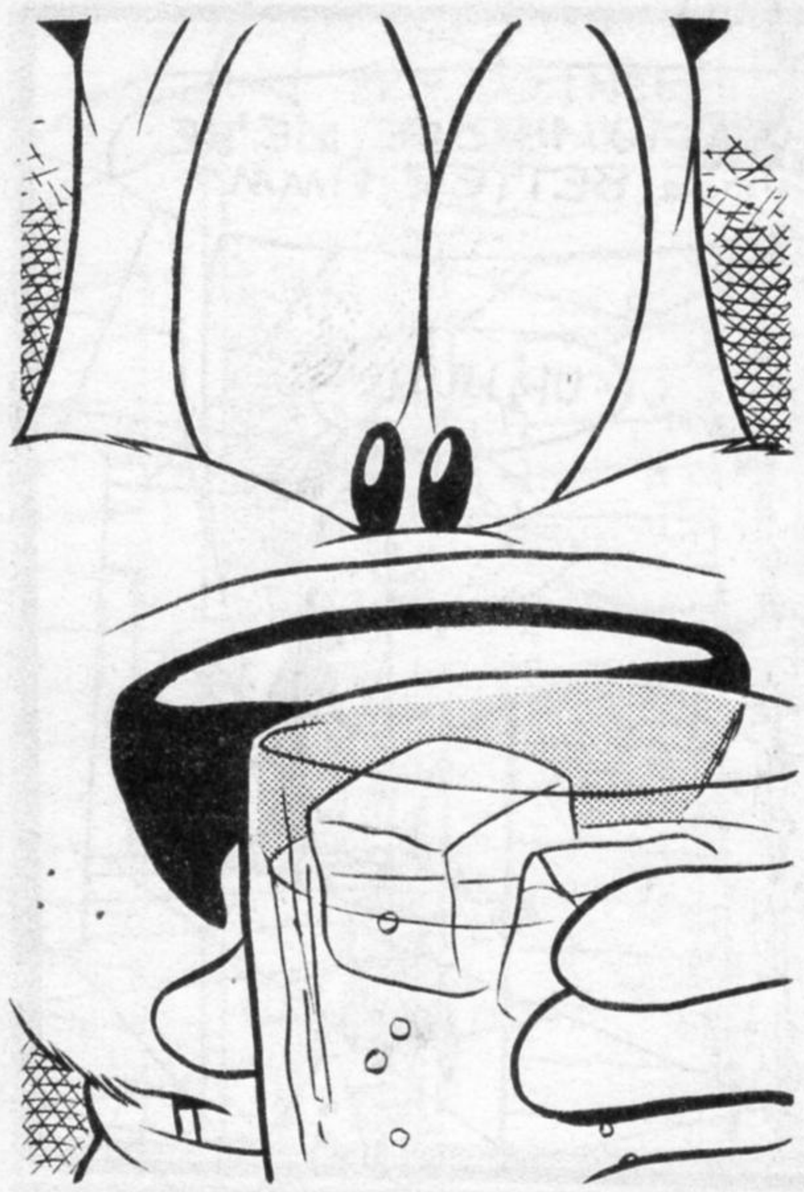
YOU SEE THAT GUY FROM PLANET ZILCH? A MAN OF OBVIOUS TASTE! HE DRINKS WHAT COULD WELL BE THE MOST EXOTIC BEVERAGE IN THE UNIVERSE!
OH, BOY!
SLURP!
DROOL!
'S GOOD, IS IT?


GOOD?! WHY, IT'S MORE THAN MOST FOLX CAN TOLERATE!

GAFFER! LEMME HAVE ONE OF WHAT HE'S HAVING!
WHAT HE'S HAVING?!

I'D THINK TWICE ABOUT IT, PAL! THOSE GUYS FROM ZILCH ARE THE ONLY CREATURES IN THE UNIVERSE WHO DON'T THINK THAT STUFF TASTES LIKE POISON!
NO, HONEST! THAT'S WHAT I WANT!
EATUM UP!
YUM YUM!

OK, SPORT... HERE YA GO! BUT DON'T SAY I DIDN'T WARN YA!

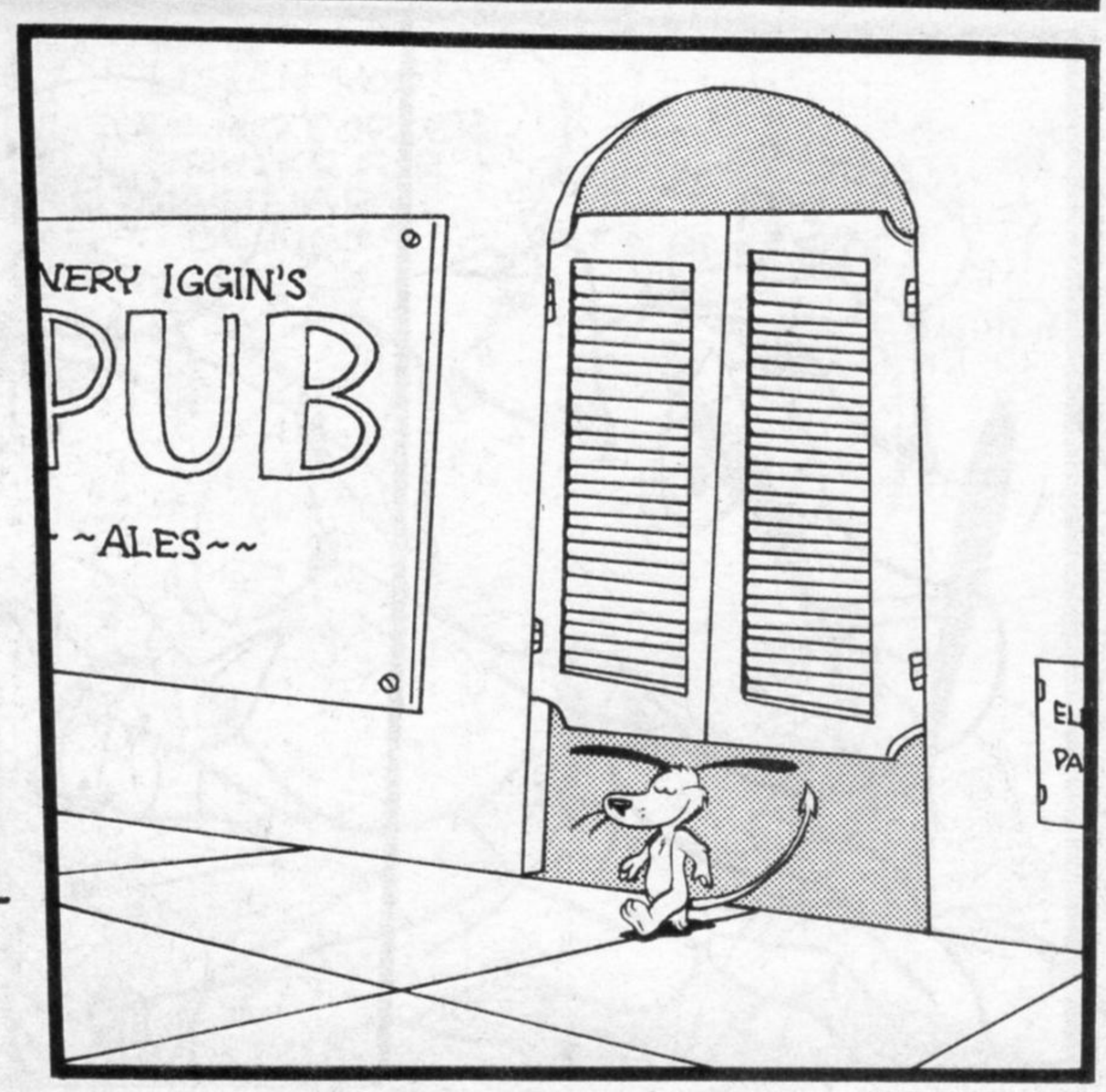


OOLP!

WELL, HOW IS IT?

SMASHING.

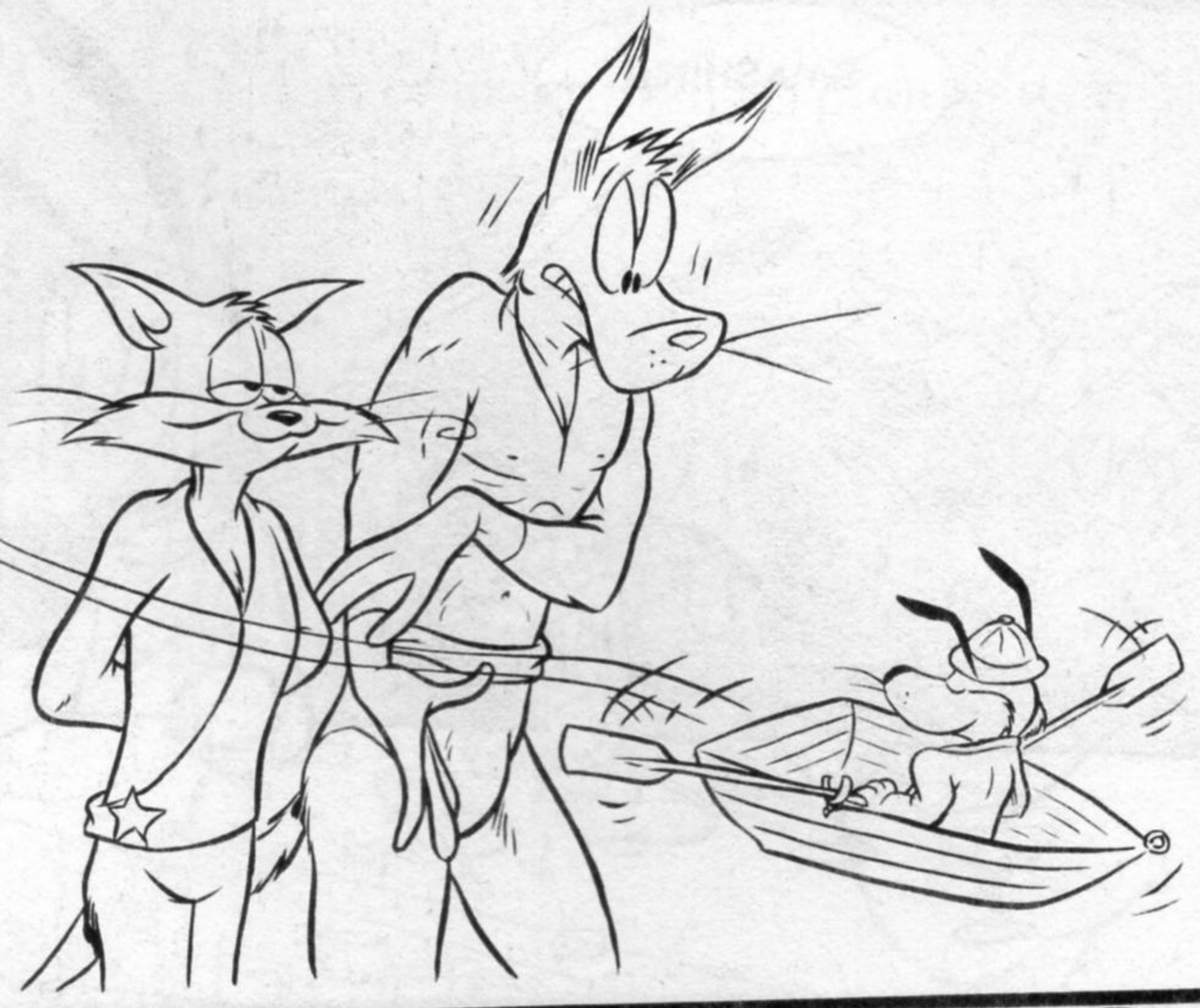
WOOP! SAY, HERM! WOOJA EXCUSE ME FOR A BIT? THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVETA DO...

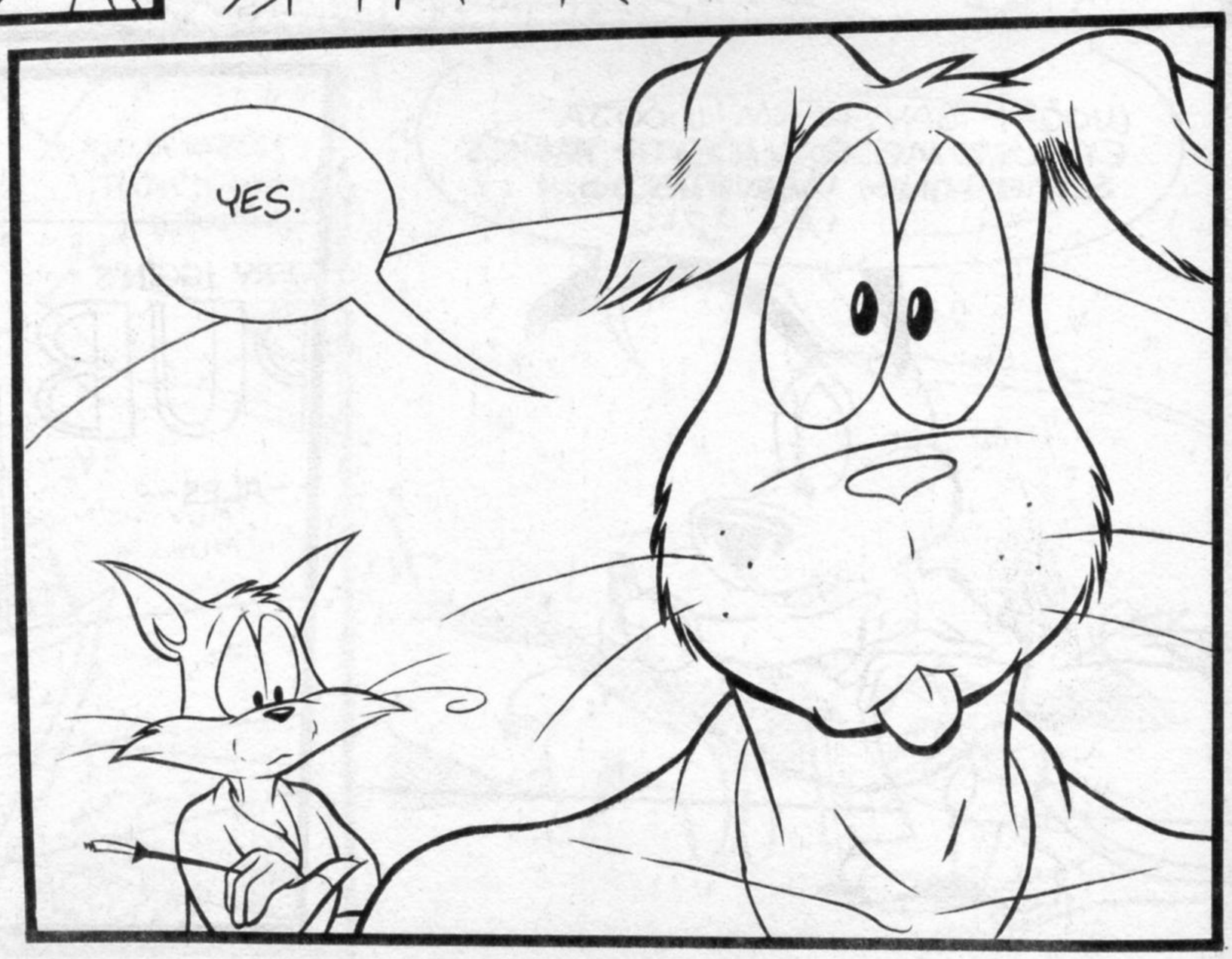

NERY IGGIN'S
PUB
~ALES~~

VELL, A FEW LOOZ GROUNTS VE TIGHTENED, UND GIFF A RECHARGE HIS BATTERIES BUT ISS NOTHING SERIOUS DER PROBLEM. HE SHOOT BE CHOOST VINE.

WELL, NOW. I HOPE WE'RE FEELING BETTER, HMM?
UH, HUH.
DR. PAVLOV ROBOTICS SPECIALIST

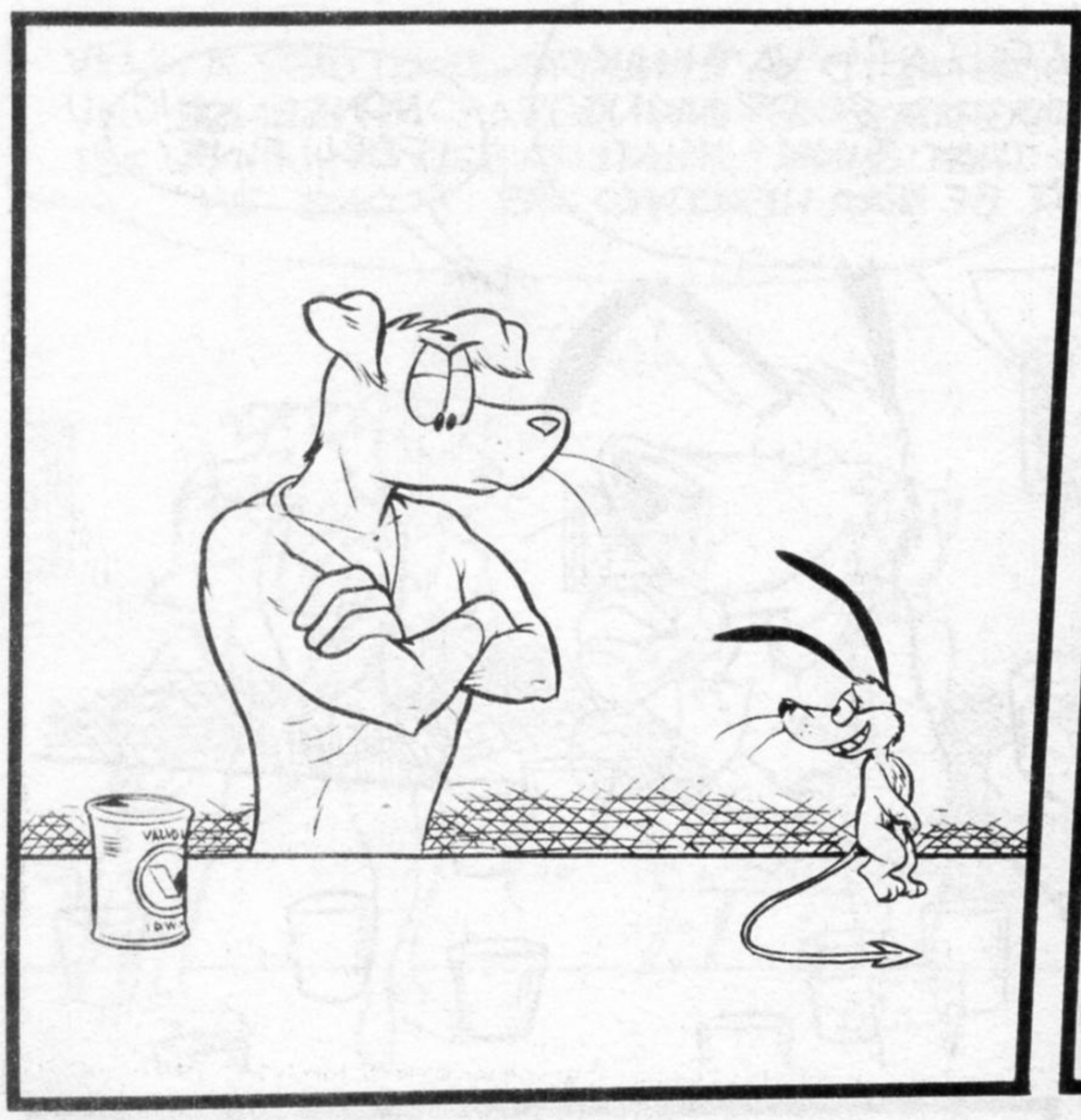
ME AND SOME OF THE BOYS ARE GETTING TOGETHER FOR A ROUND OF POKER TONIGHT. ARE YOU GOING DOWN TO THE PUB AS USUAL?




YES.

BOY, DO I NEED A DRINK!

HEY, FELLA! D'YA THINK YA OUGHTA BE DRINKING ALL THAT JUNK? THAT CAN'T BE TOO HEALTHY..
NONSENSE! I FEEL FINE!



SOMETIMES I CAN'T BELIEVE IT MYSELF.

BUMP!

OH, GEE! I'M SORRY! HERE, LET ME CLEAN YOU UP!
WHAT?! THAT'S OK, REALLY!

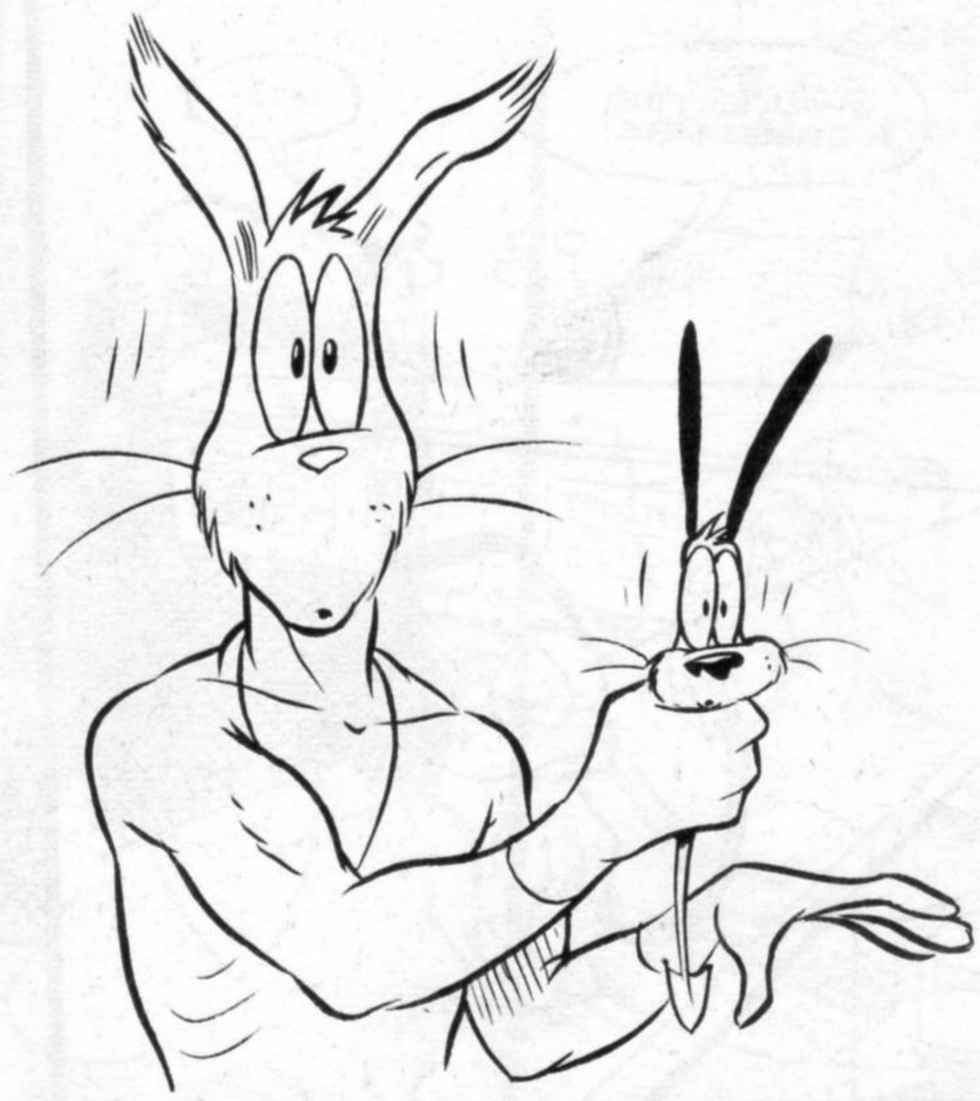
IT'S NO PROBLEM! BY THE WAY, MY NAME'S LELA. AND YOU'RE...
HDMM! HDM FMPH!

HEY! AREN'T YOU GONNA INTRODUCE ME TO YOUR FRIEND?

YOU SCRAM! YOU'RE JUST A FIGMENT OF MY IMAGINATION!
THAT'S NO REASON TO GET HOSTILE..

ARE YOU GONNA BLOW OR DO I HAFTA...

HEY! WHO'S YOUR FRIEND WITH THE MARGARITA?

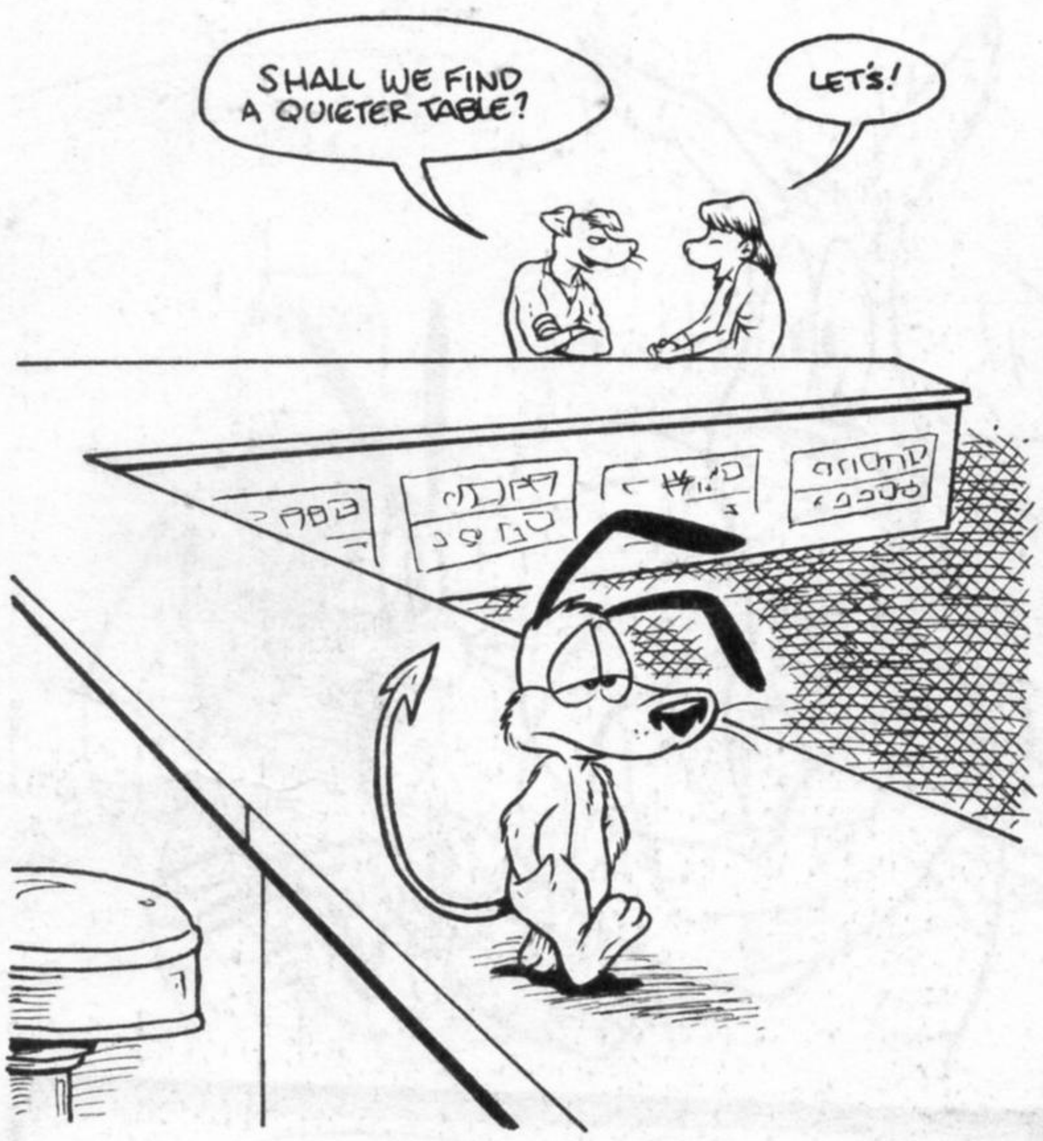


YOU CAN SEE HIM?
SHE CANNOT NEITHER!
OF COURSE I CAN! A LITTLE GUY WITH A POINTY TAIL!

NO! THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! YOU CAN'T DO YOU HEAR ME YOU JUST CAN'T!
I CAN'T?

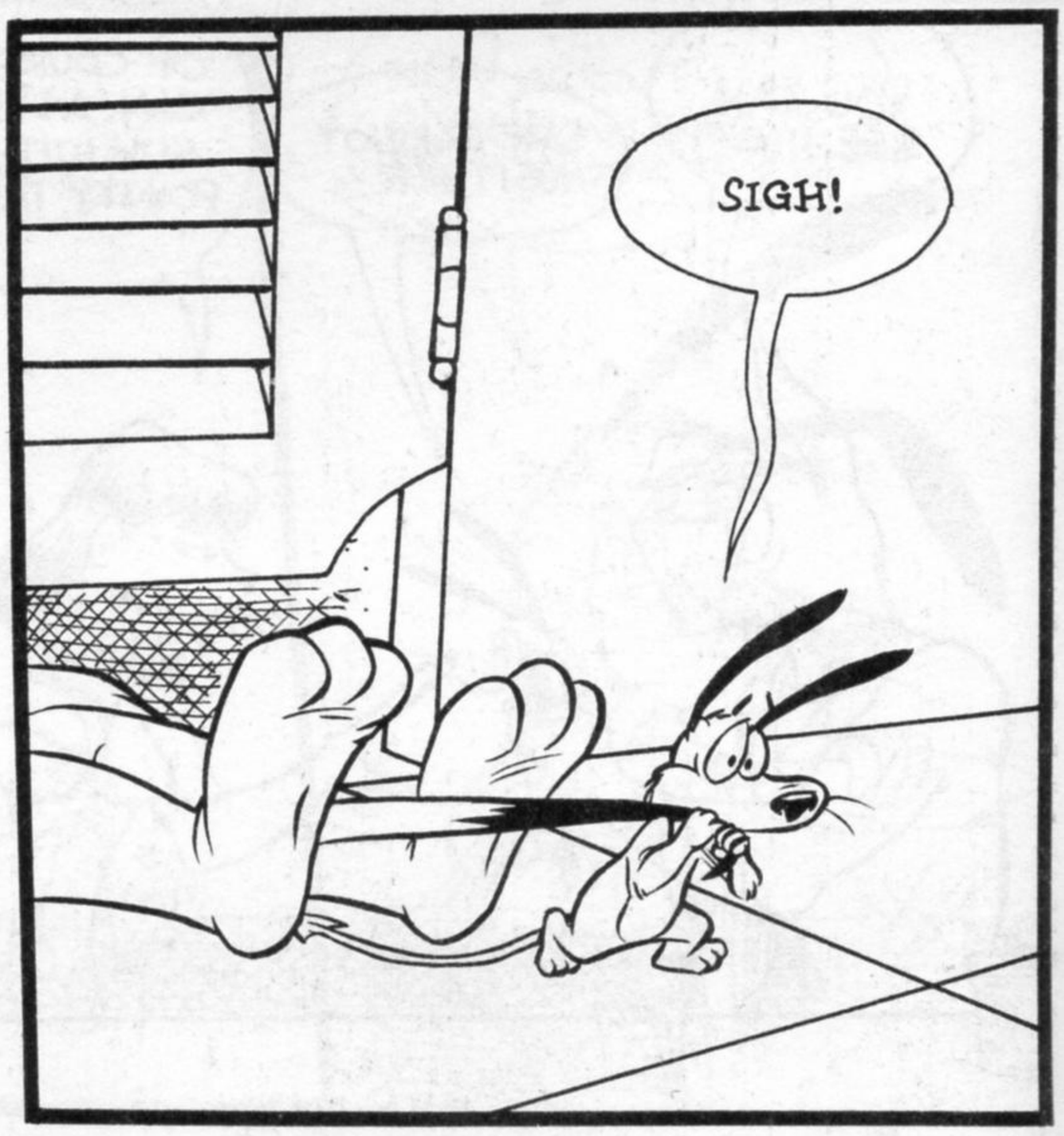
NO, NO! ADAM'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN SEE ME AND THAT'S 'COS HE'S A ROBOT! I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT UNLESS.... UNLESS...

CAN I BUY YOU A DRINK, HONEY?
I DON'T DRINK, BUT IF YOU COULD GET ME A 10W-40...


SHALL WE FIND A QUIETER TABLE?
LET'S!

HERMAN! LET'S GETOUTTA HERE! HERMAN? HERMAN!

LORDY.... I DON'T FEEL TOO GOOD...


SIGH!

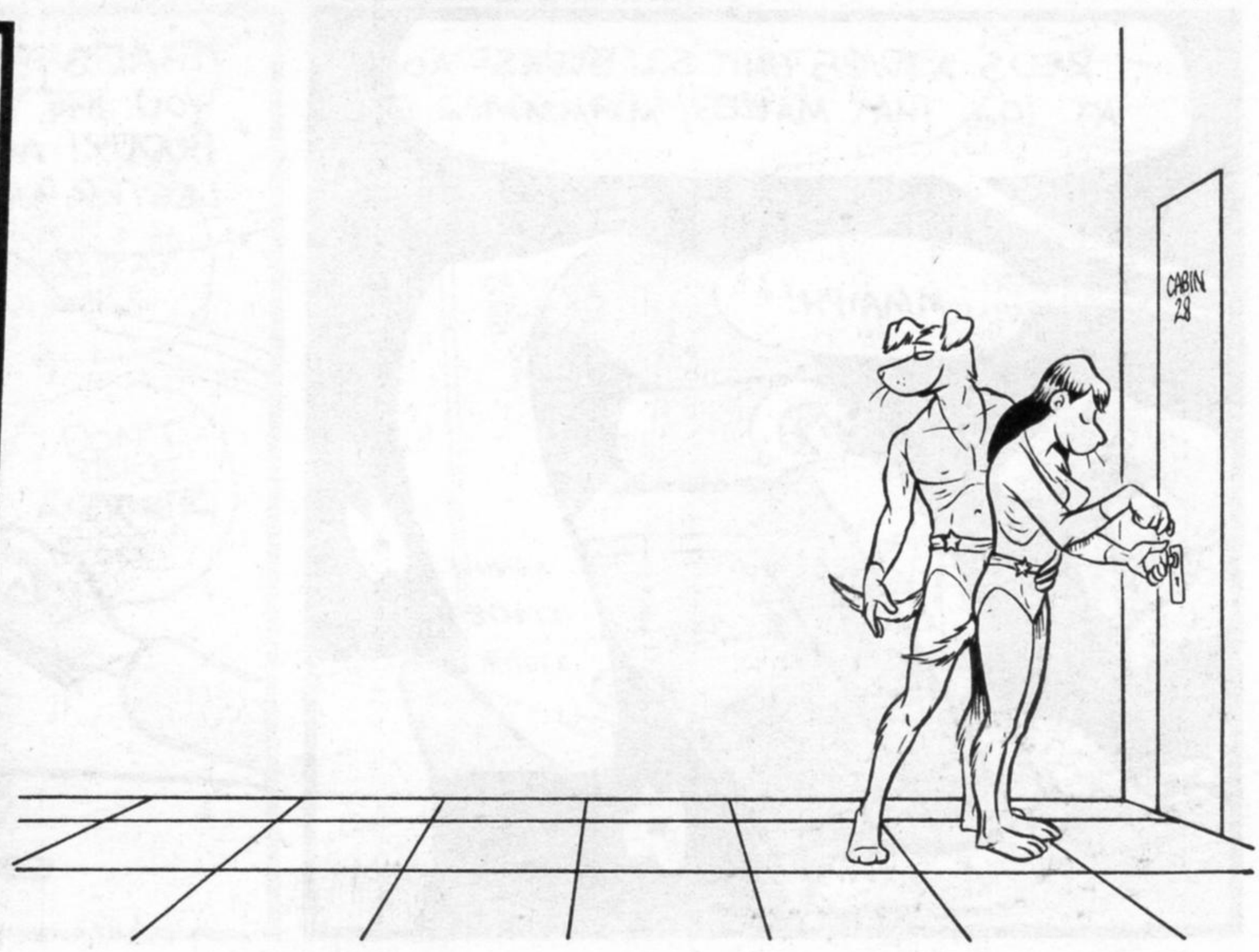
I JUST CAN'T GET OVER IT! YOU'RE REALLY A ROBOT! ALL THESE YEARS I THOUGHT I WAS THE ONLY ONE LIKE ME!

AND MY GOSH! YOU'RE EVEN A FEMALE, I.... YOU...
..I...

YOU ARE..... ....AREN'T YOU?

THAT IS TO SAY YOU... LOOK... LIKE A.... I MEAN.. DO YA.. ..UH...
...YOU KNOW?

WOULD YOU CARE TO COME UP TO MY CABIN AND FIND OUT?

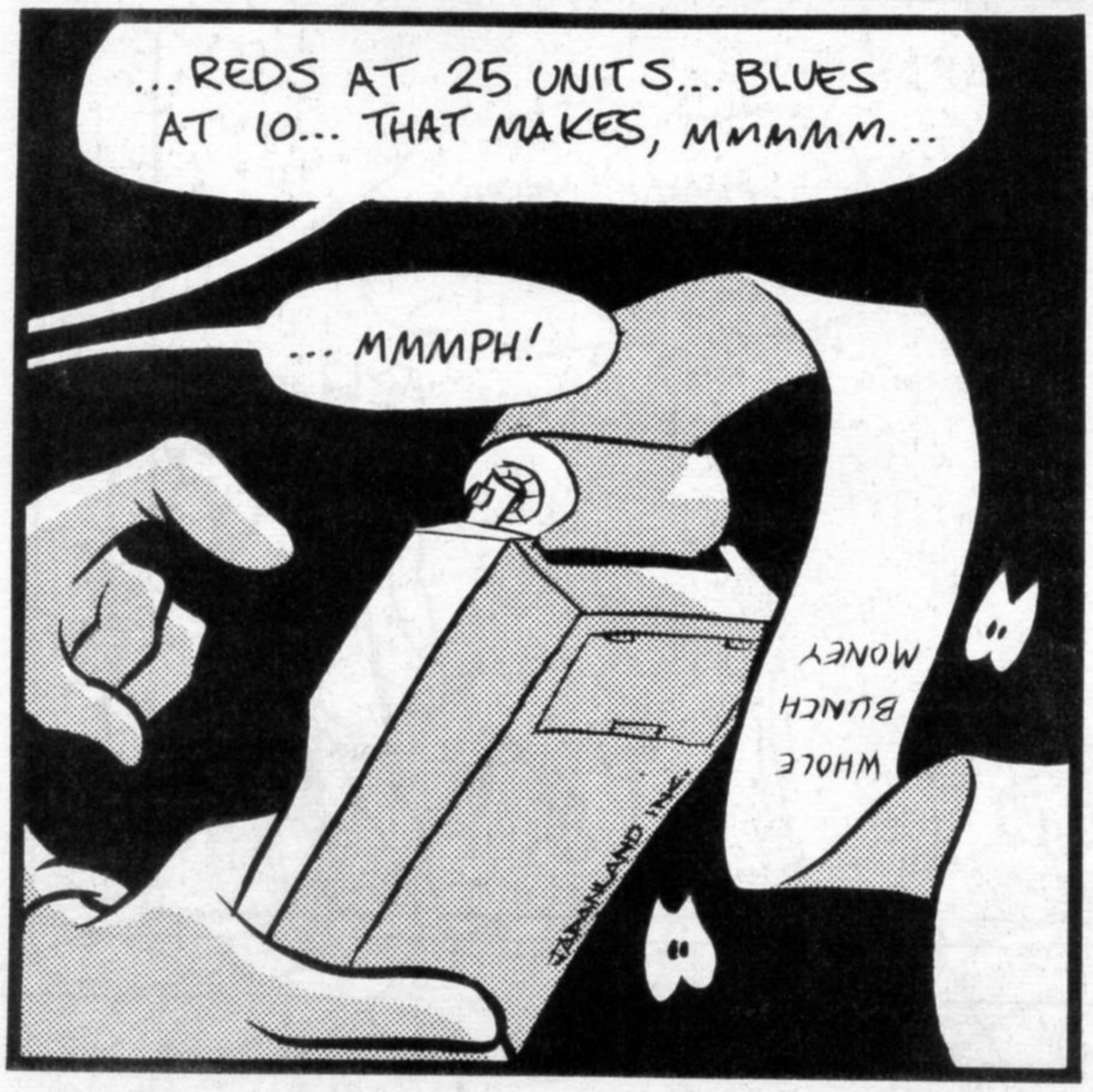

CABIN 28

ALL RIGHT, PUSSY CAT! I'VE BET ALL I HAD, NOW I'M CALLING YER BLUFF, SHOW US YER STUFF!
ROMPUS ROOM
I SIR, DO NOT BLUFF SIR!

IF YOU CHAPS DOUBT MY WORD THEN CAST YOUR COLLECTIVE EYES ON THIS!
HUH? NO!
IT CAN'T BE!

AH, BUT IT IS! A FULL HOUSE, WHICH, I'LL WAGER IS ENOUGH TO CLAIM THE POT!

THESE COLORED PLASTIC DISCS ARE LOVELY, BUT I MUCH PREFER CASH MONEY! NOW LET'S SEE....


...REDS AT 25 UNITS... BLUES AT 10... THAT MAKES, MMMMM...
... MMMPH!
WHOLE BUNCH MONEY
JAPANLAND INC.

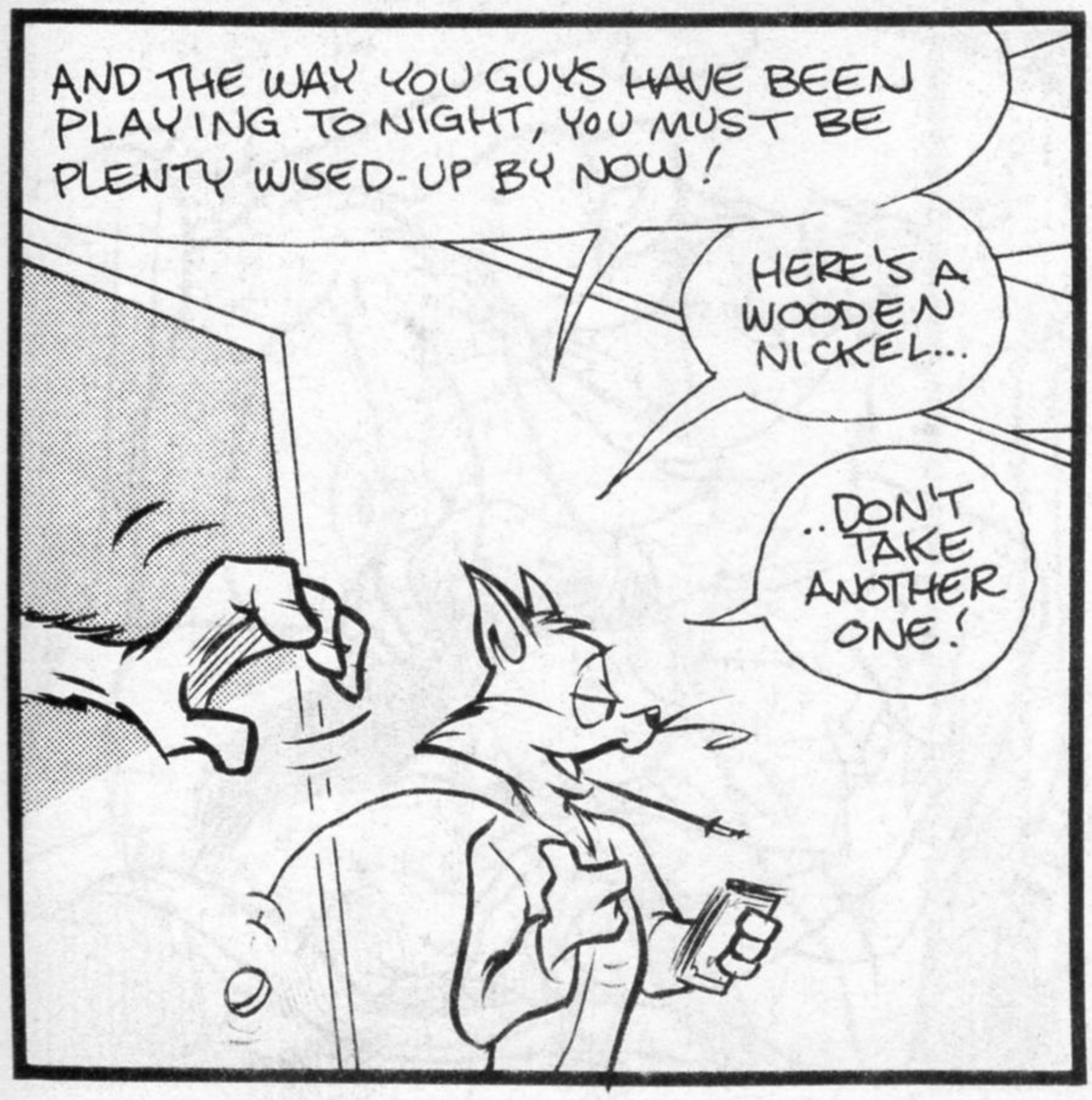
THAT'S 39,000 FROM YOU MY LITTLE HORNED BUDDY! AND FROM LESTER AND KLEIN...

...21,000 & 32,000 RESPECTIVELY! THANK YOU EVER SO MUCH!

WELL, I'D LOVE TO STAY AND CHIT-CHAT, BUT I MUST BE GOING NOW!
HARD CHEESE AN' ALL THAT!

AW, DON'T LOOK SO GLUM, BOYS. COME TOMMORROW THE SUN WILL SHINE OUT AND THE BIRDIES WILL SING!

-AT LEAST THEY WOULD IF WE WEREN'T IN A VACCUUM IN SPACE A BILLION MILES FROM NOPLACE. STILL, WE DO LEARN MORE FROM LOSING THAN FROM WINNING...

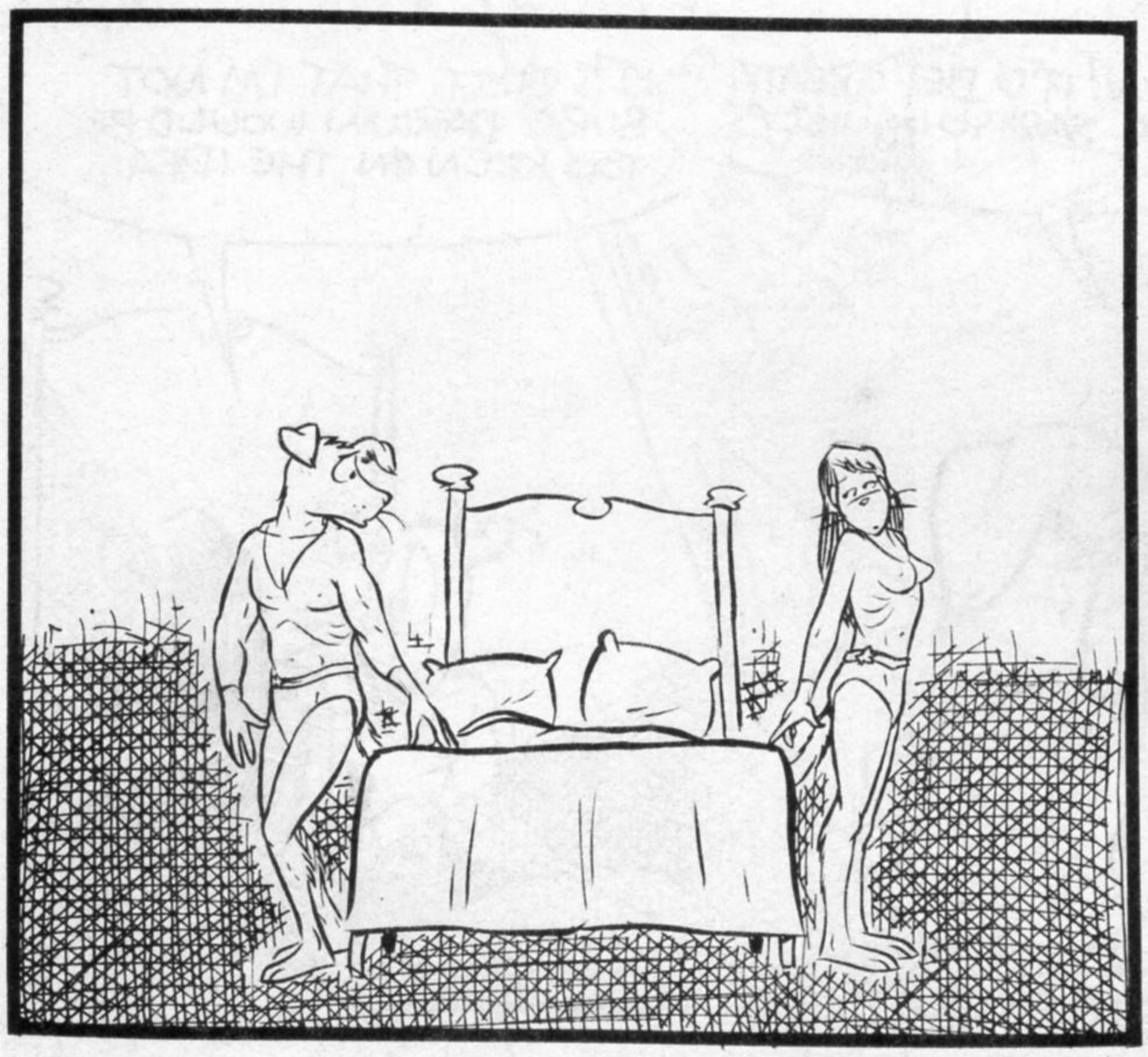

AND THE WAY YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN PLAYING TONIGHT, YOU MUST BE PLENTY WISED-UP BY NOW!
HERE'S A WOODEN NICKEL...
..DON'T TAKE ANOTHER ONE!

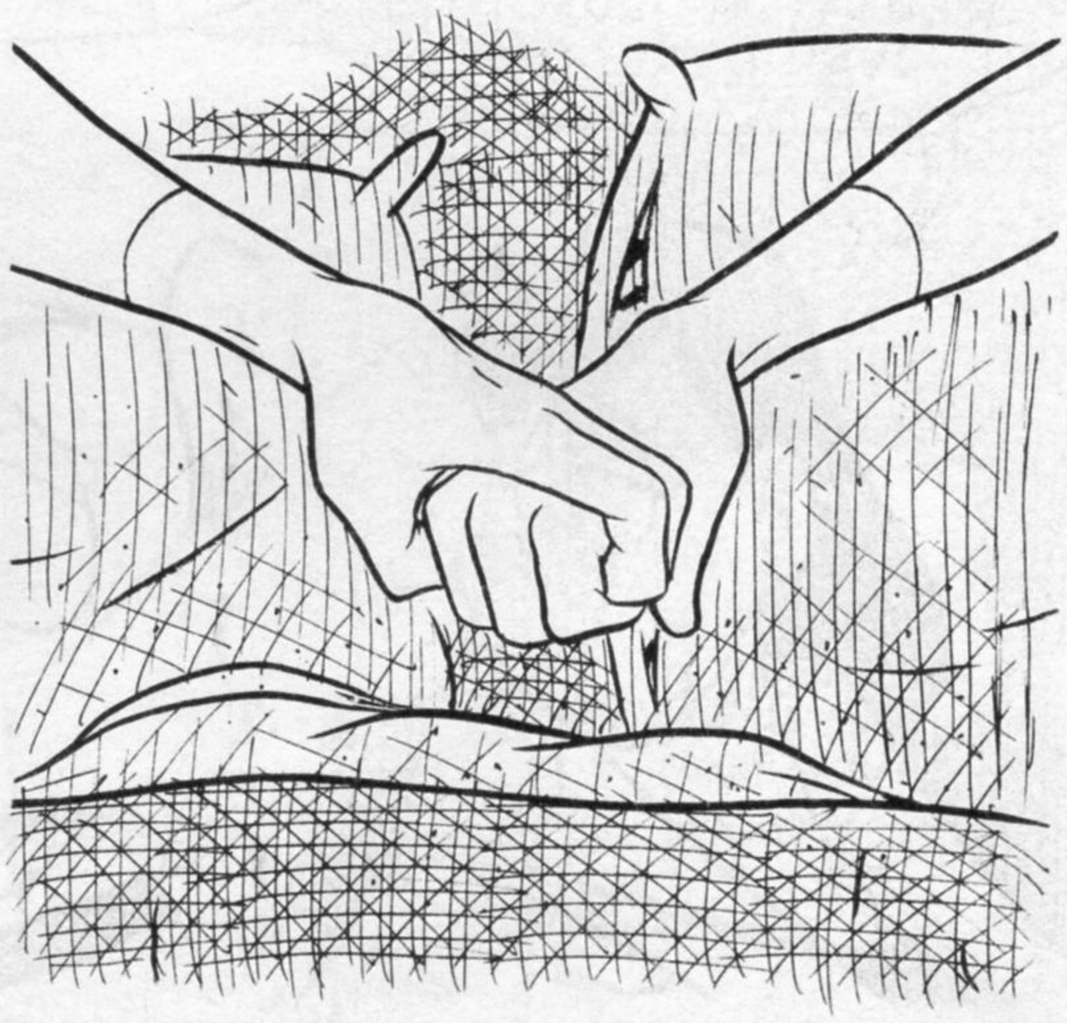
SOME PEOPLE JUST HAVE NO SENSE OF HUMOR....
ROMPUS ROOM
-THINK I'LL TRY THE CRAP GAME DOWN THE HALL...

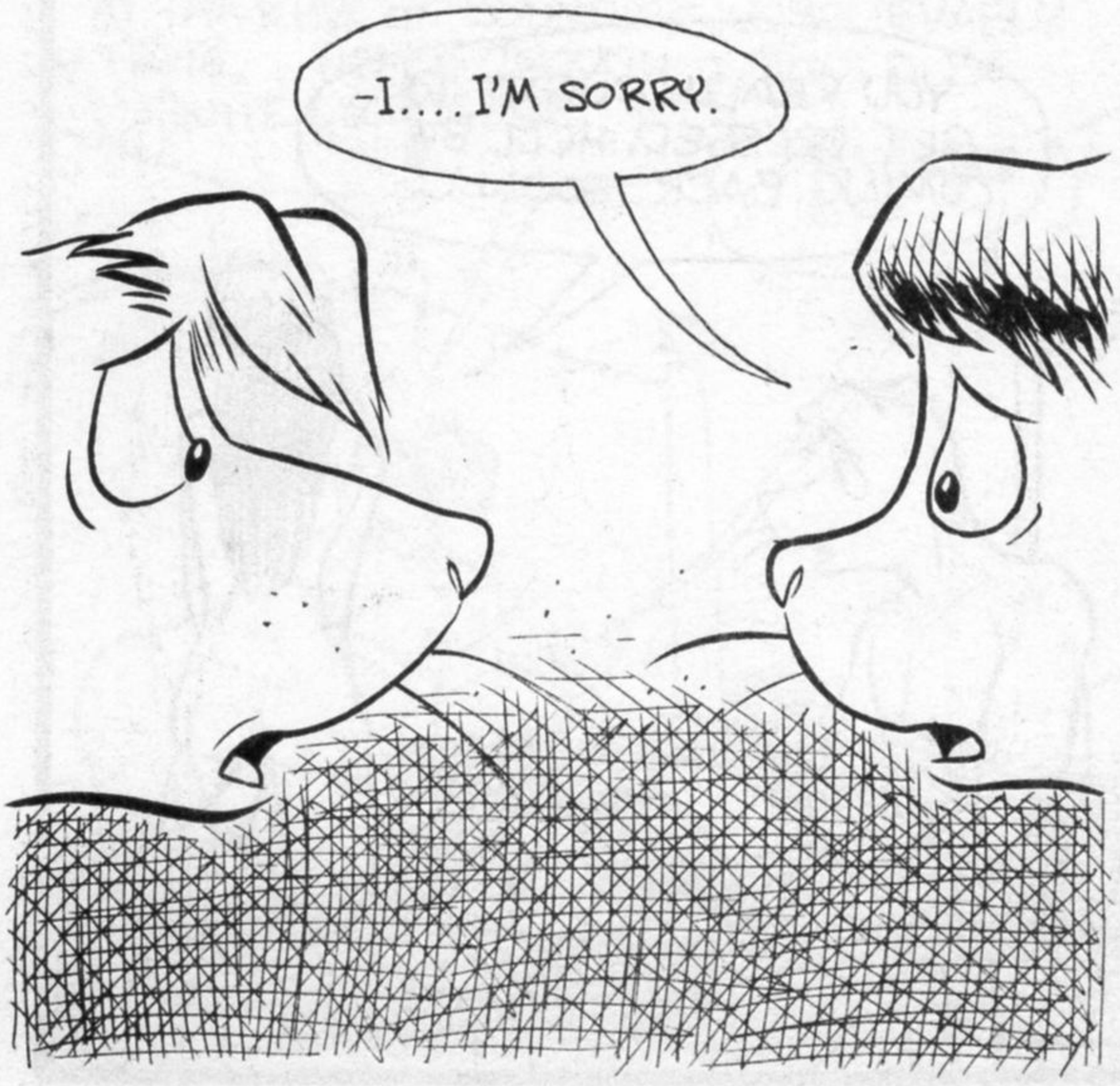
# "ANOTHER SATURDAY NIGHT"

~~part three~~

OH, LELA! LET'S RUN AWAY TOGETHER! JUST YOU AN' ME!
HMMMMM? HOW 'BOUT IT?
WELL, UHHHHH.... THAT MIGHT BE NICE, BUT I REALLY CAN'T, UM... IT'S JUST THAT... THAT...
AW C'MON! IT'D BE GREAT! OH, PLEASE SAY YOU WILL!
IT'S JUST THAT I'M NOT SURE DARWIN WOULD BE TOO KEEN ON THE IDEA..
YOU REALLY OUGHT TO GET DRESSED. HE'LL BE COMING BACK SOON....






-I.... I'M SORRY.

CLICK
CLICK
ADAM?

DOCTOR EDEN?

I HAVEN'T CALLED MYSELF A DOCTOR IN YEARS. I TORE UP MY PAPERS.
IT WAS JUST A TITLE.

IT'S BEEN ALONG...TIME, HASN'T IT.... DOC?
MM, HMM..

YOU, YOU'RE NOT ANGRY ARE YOU DARWIN HONEY? BUT HOW DO YOU KNOW ADAM?

ANGRY! S'FUNNY... I DON'T KNOW IF I'VE THE RIGHT TO BE ANGRY..

I MUST SAY I AM SURPRISED, THOUGH.. I HAVEN'T SEEN ADAM SINCE I LEFT MY JOB AT THE UNIFINK LABS TEN YEARS AGO. YOU SEE, I'M SORT OF RESPONSIBLE FOR ADAM. YOU MIGHT SAY THAT I CREATED HIM.

I DESIGNED HIM, SUPERVISED HIS CONSTRUCTION, PROGRAMMED HIS CIRCUITS, AND REALLY THREW MY WEIGHT AROUND TO GET HIM BUILT...

...JUST AS I DID FOR YOU, LELA M'DEAR...

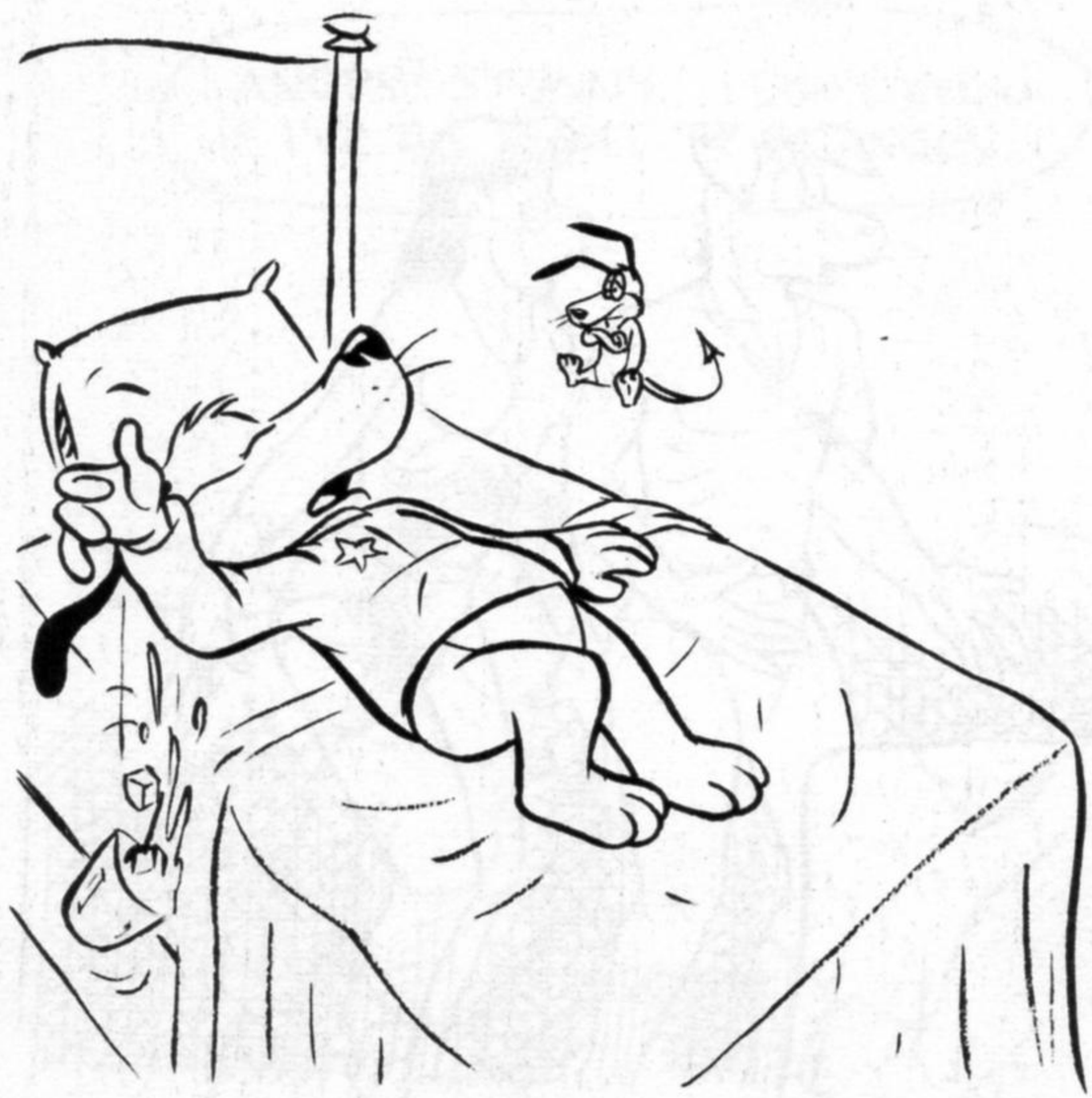
SO I GUESS MAYBE I'M NOT ANGRY...

...I THINK....

HAWLP!
JEEZO! THIS MUG WEIGHS A TON!
CABIN

SHRDLU?
CABIN 13

HEGZLENT SEGGSTION, BUB! PRABS 2'A BIT OF REST WOOBE IN ORDER!



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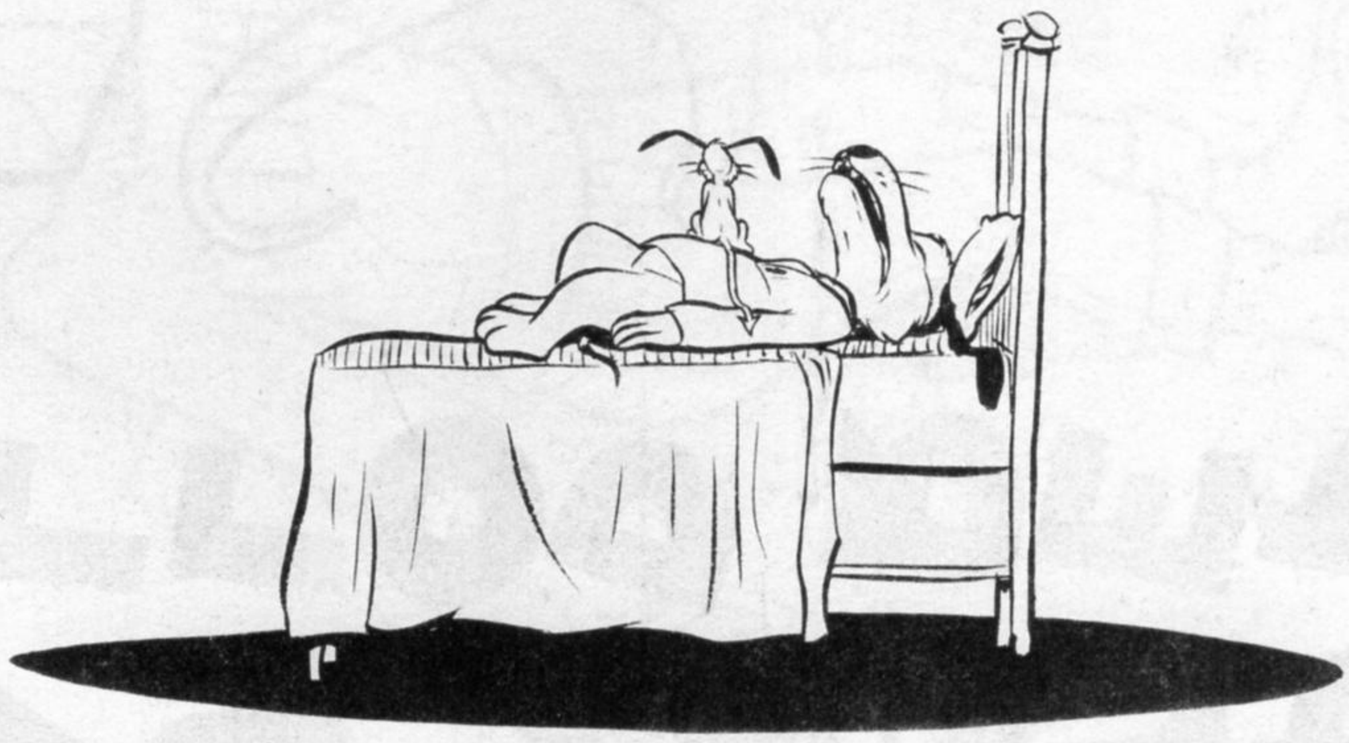
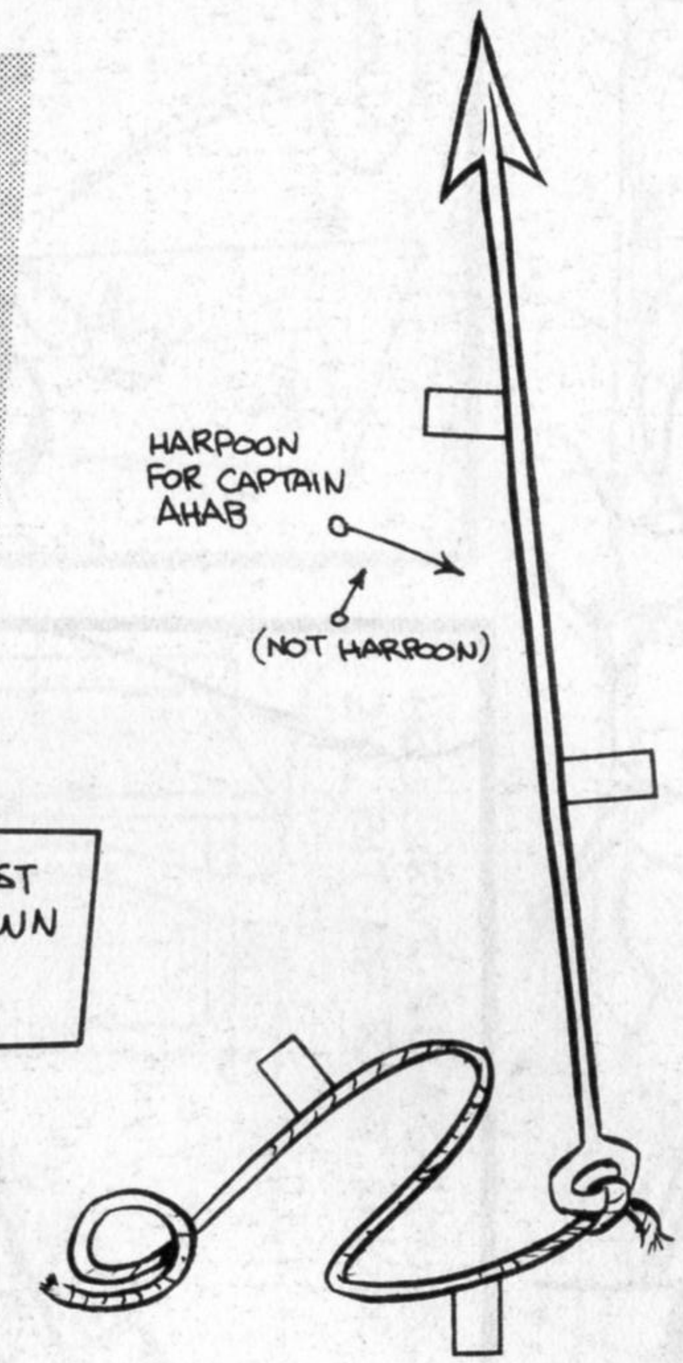


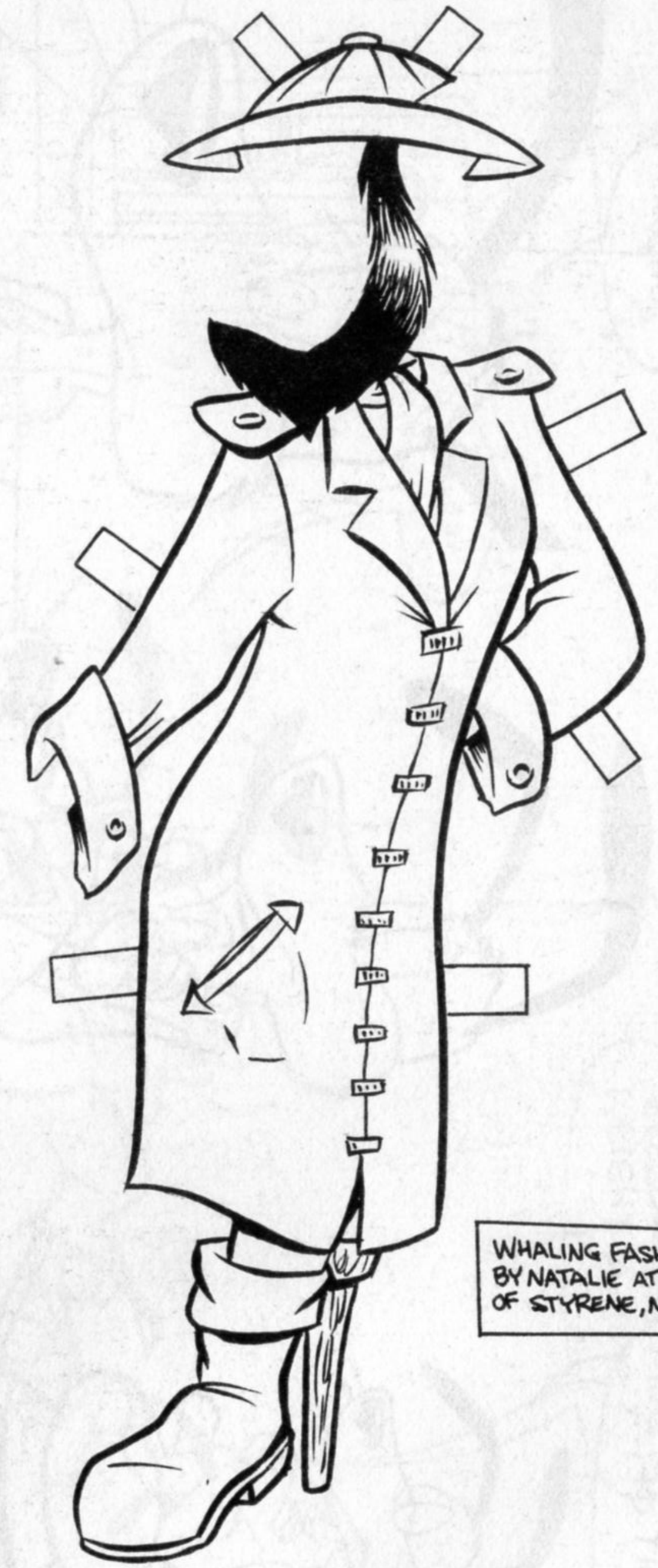
Next: "IF WHAT I THINK HAS HAPPENED HAS HAPPENED I'M IN BIIIG TROUBLE!"

# CAPTAIN JACK PAPER DOLLS!

YES! NOW YOU CAN DRESS OL' HAPPY CAPPY JACK AS SOME OF HIS FAMOUS HEROES! JUST CUT OUT AND HAVE HOURS OF FUN! BOY! FUN!

WELL **HECK**, WE JUST COULDN'T HAVE SHOWN HIM **NAKED** NOW, COULD WE?



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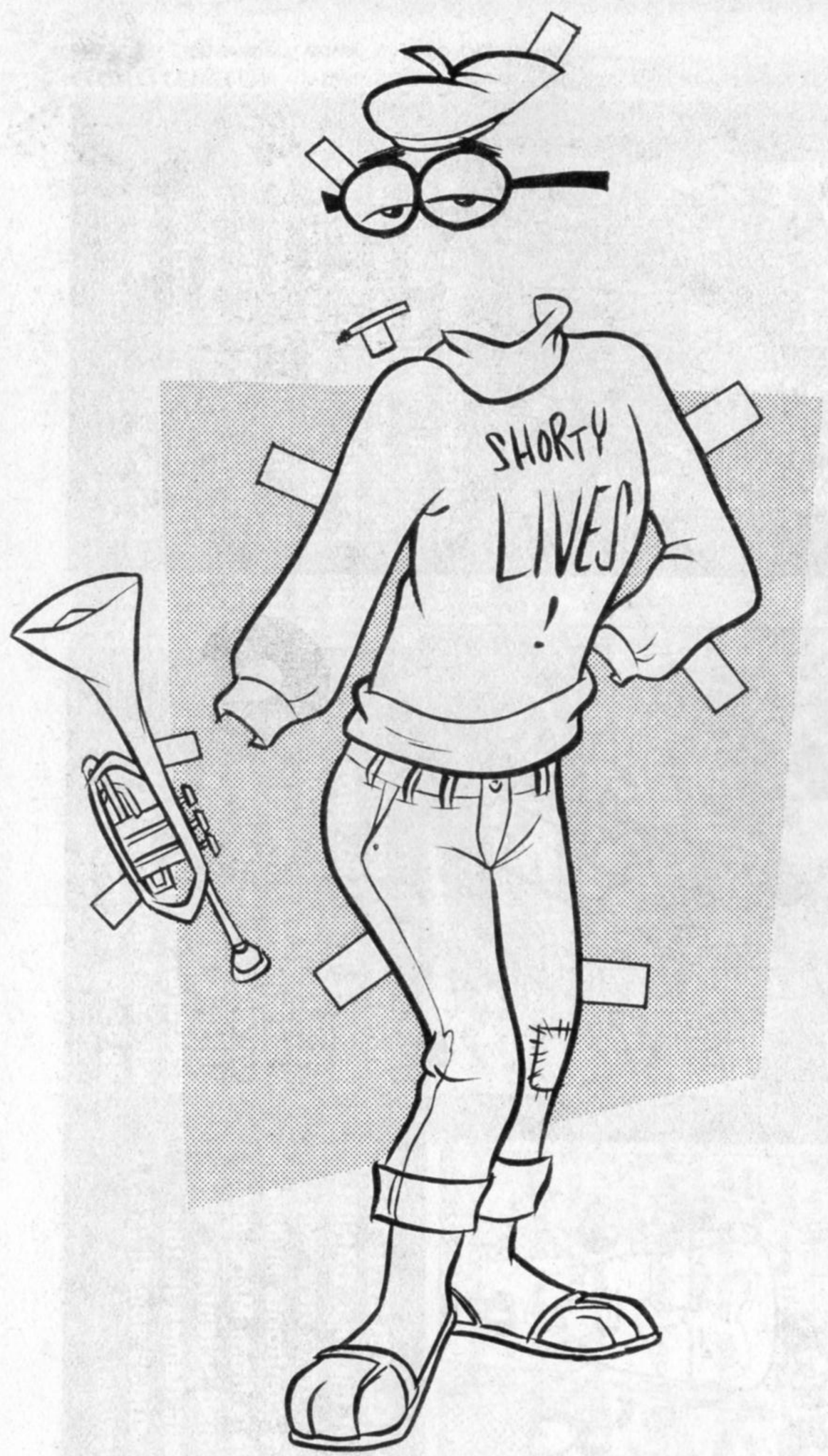


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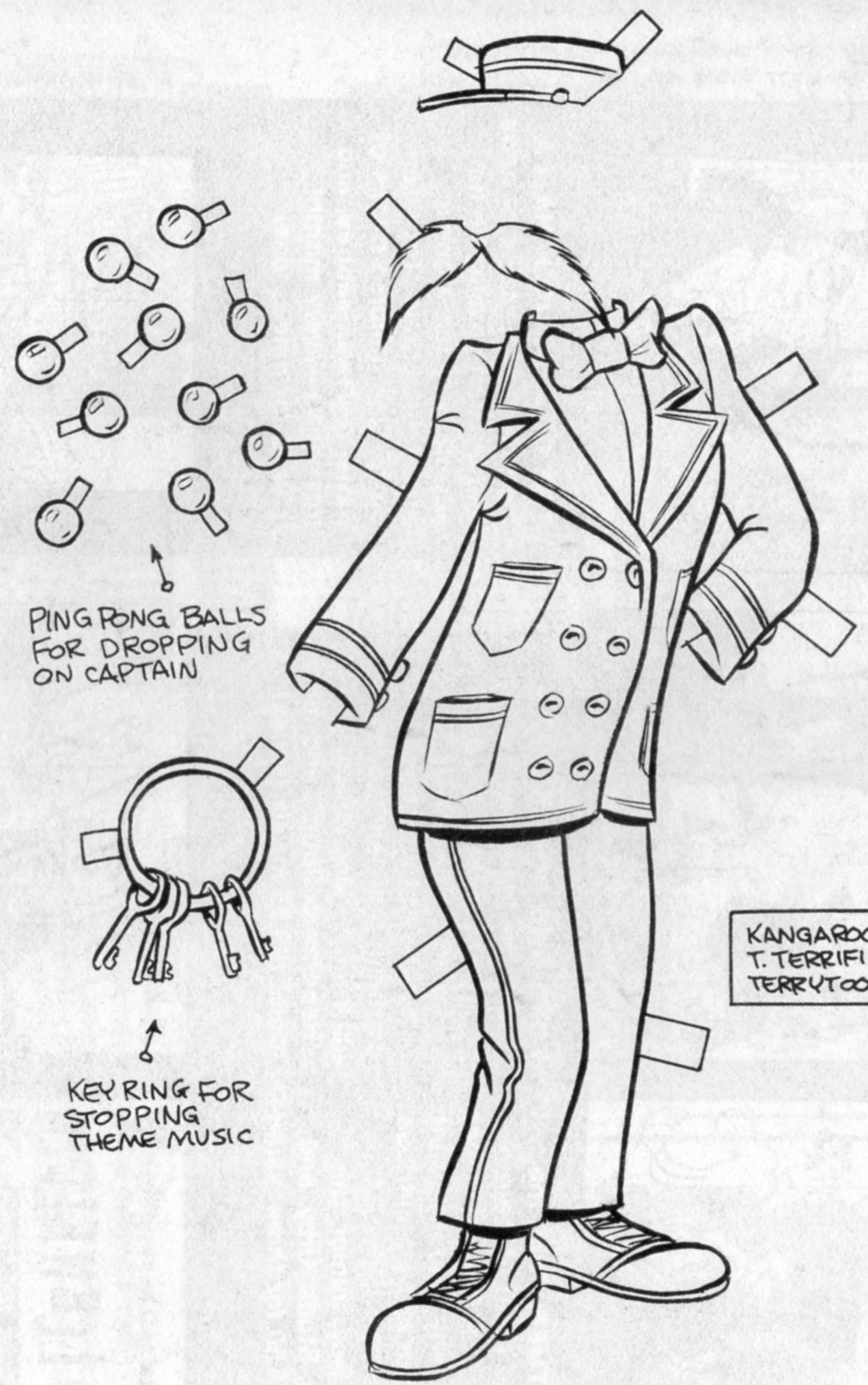


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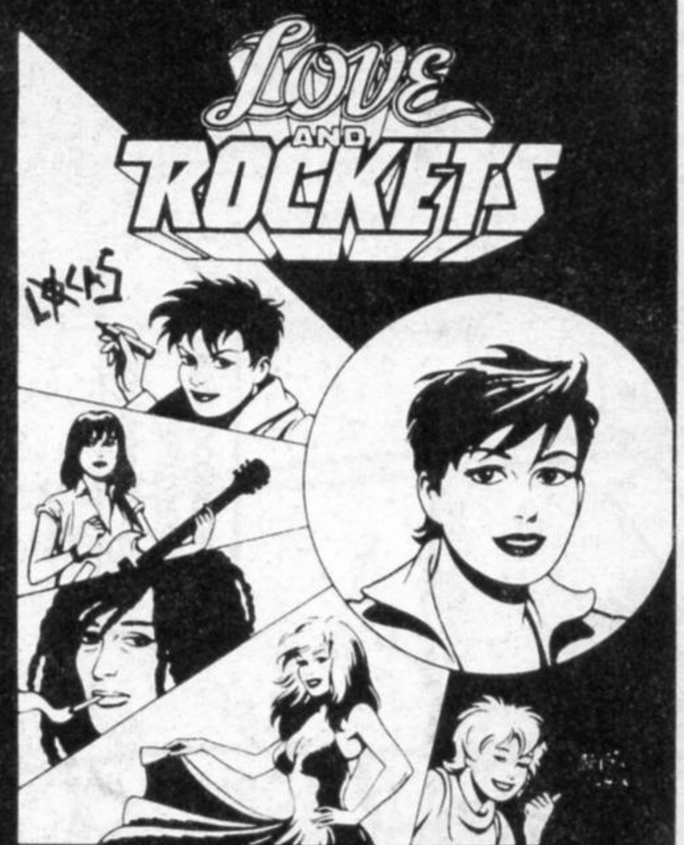


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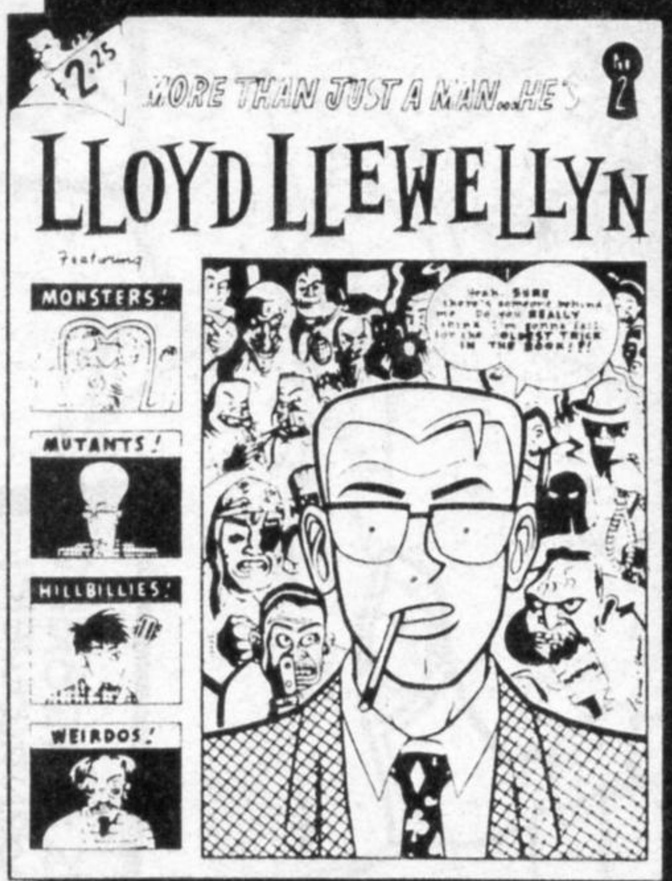


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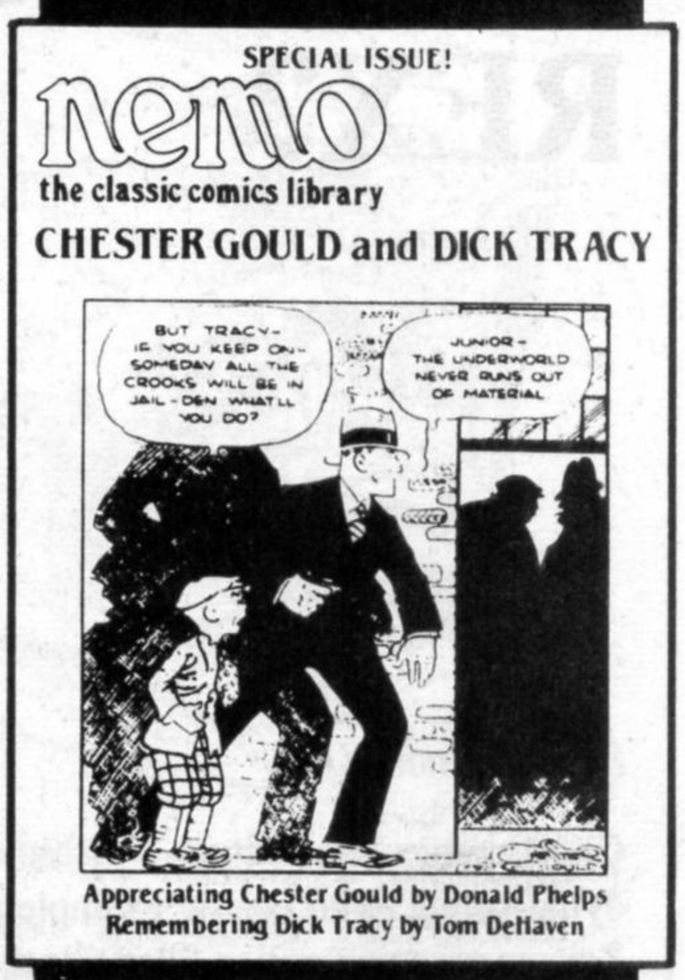


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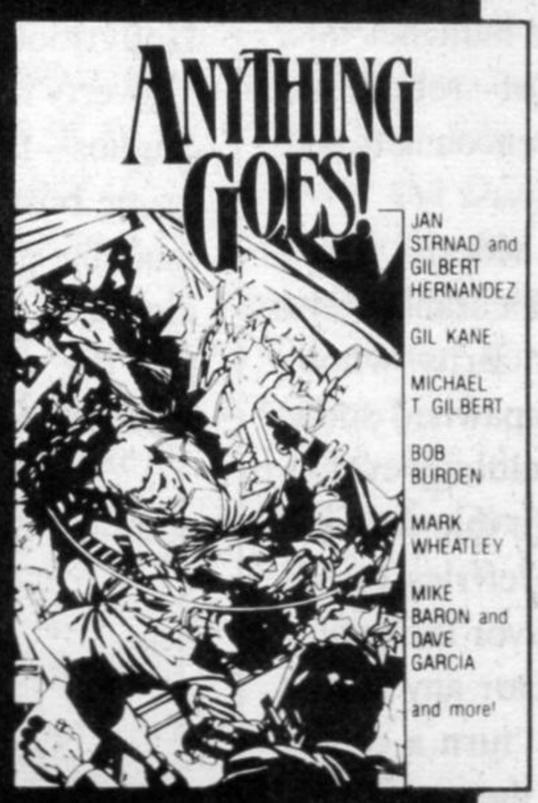


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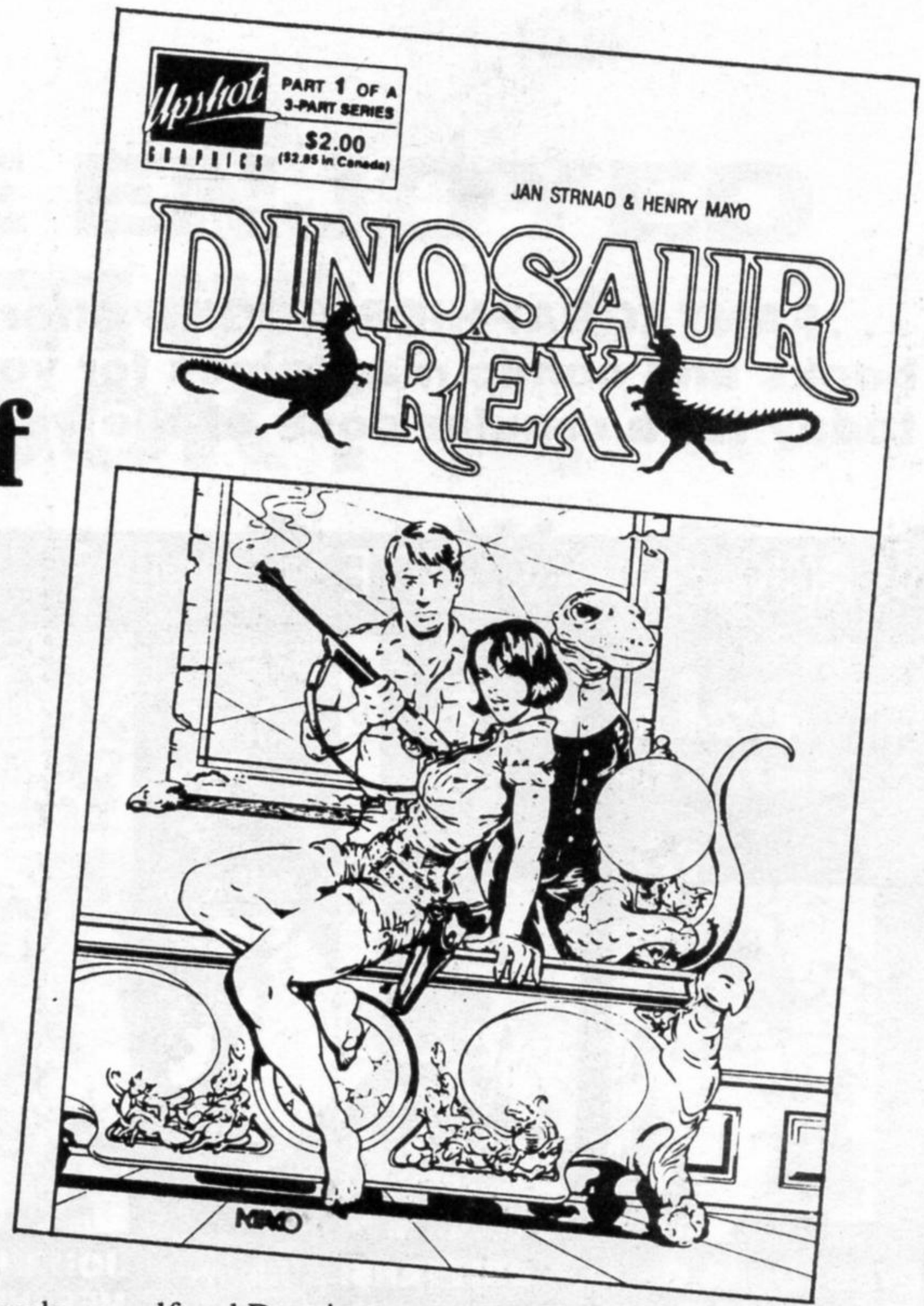


*by Jan Strnad*

Good comic books have a habit of dying young. The classic example is *Zot!*, an engaging, action-filled title that won the Jack Kirby Award for "Best Comic" in 1984. *Zot!* lasted ten issues before low sales forced its cancellation.

Nevertheless, small publishers like Fantagraphics Books keep publishing good, unusual comic books that most fans will never see. In fact, Fantagraphics Books has established an entire line—UPSHOT GRAPHICS—devoted to limited series, full color, action/adventure comic books for the discriminating reader. Here's what a few paranormally aware fans will read and enjoy from Upshot in 1986.

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*Flesh & Bones* recaps Dal's previous adventures very briefly (for the benefit of newcomers) and then launches into a fast-paced story of rebellion, betrayal, heroism, alien encounters and celestial visions.

But wait, there's Moore. Alan Moore, that is, and the incurable Steve Parkhouse, two crazy Brits whose creative marriage has spawned some of the most bizarre panelology ever to see print in America. In this case it's the incomparable "BoJeffries Saga" starring the intrepid Trevor Inchmale. Is a humble rent collector any match for someone who can "turn a cream egg into a diamond and then eat it anyway"? "The BoJeffries Saga" will run as a four-part feature in the back pages of *Flesh & Bones*.

**The Miracle Squad** is another four-part series, this time by writer John Wooley and artist Terry Tidwell. Wooley has been selling comic book scripts since 1969 and is currently an entertainment writer for *Tulsa World*. Tidwell's art has appeared in several newspapers and periodicals and he recently finished pencilling a story for Marvel's *Savage Sword of Conan*.

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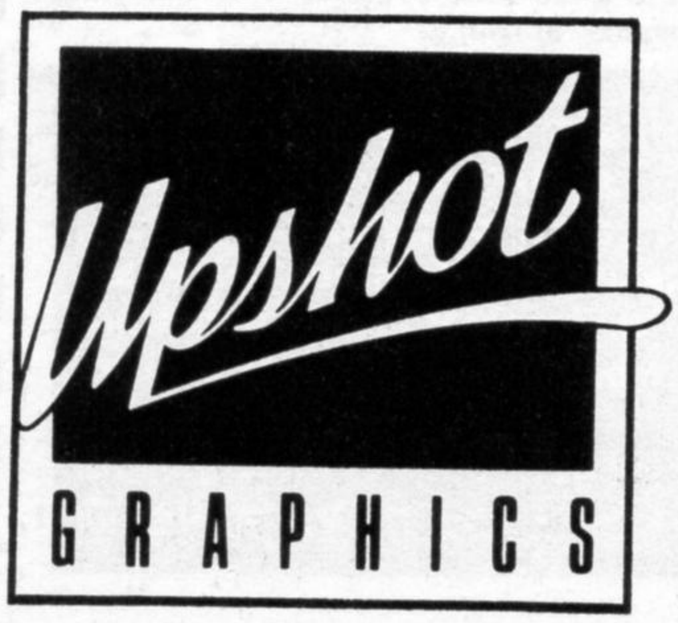

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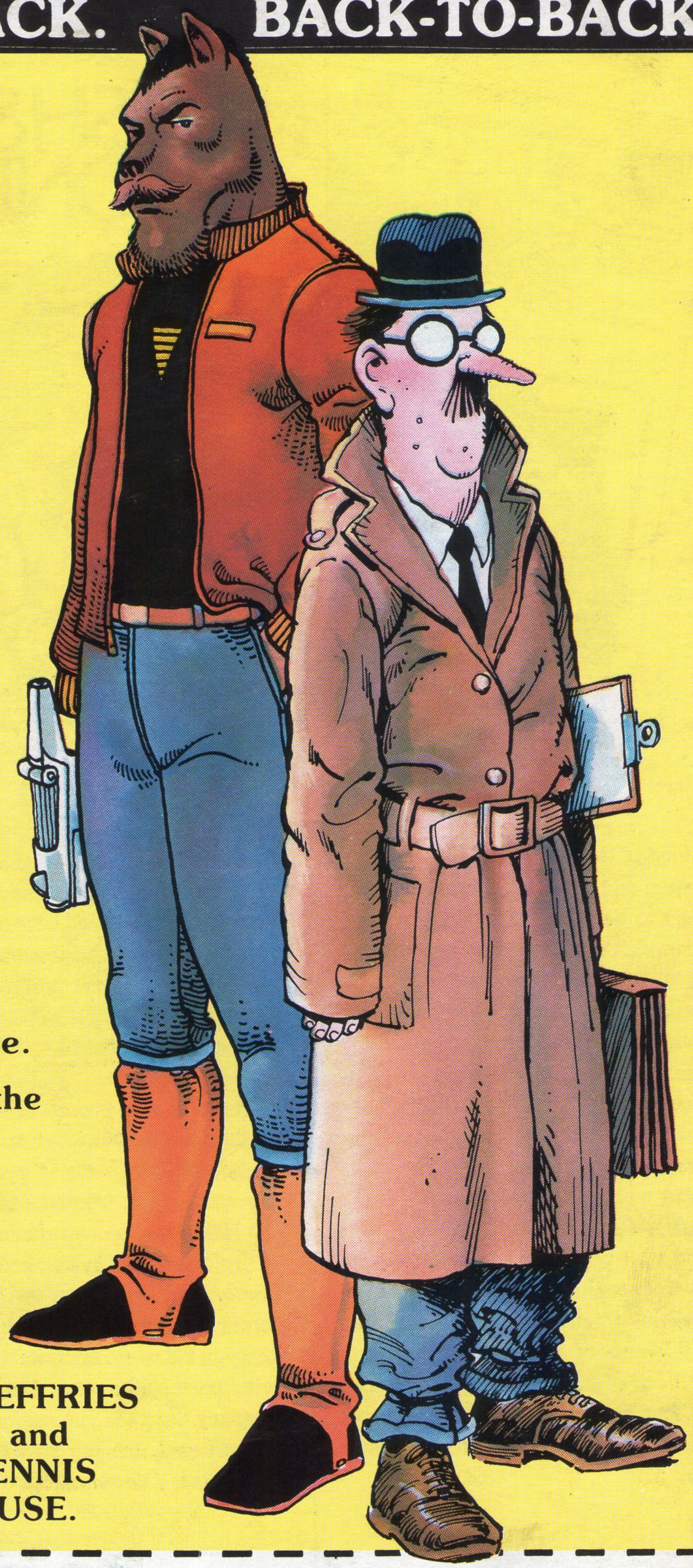

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